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# THE GENEALOGICAL HISTORY

OF

## DOVER, MASSACHUSETTS

TRACING ALL FAMILIES PREVIOUS TO 1850,  
AND MANY FAMILIES THAT HAVE LIVED  
IN THE TOWN SINCE WITH AN  
ACCOUNT OF THE HABITS AND  
CUSTOMS OF THE PEOPLE

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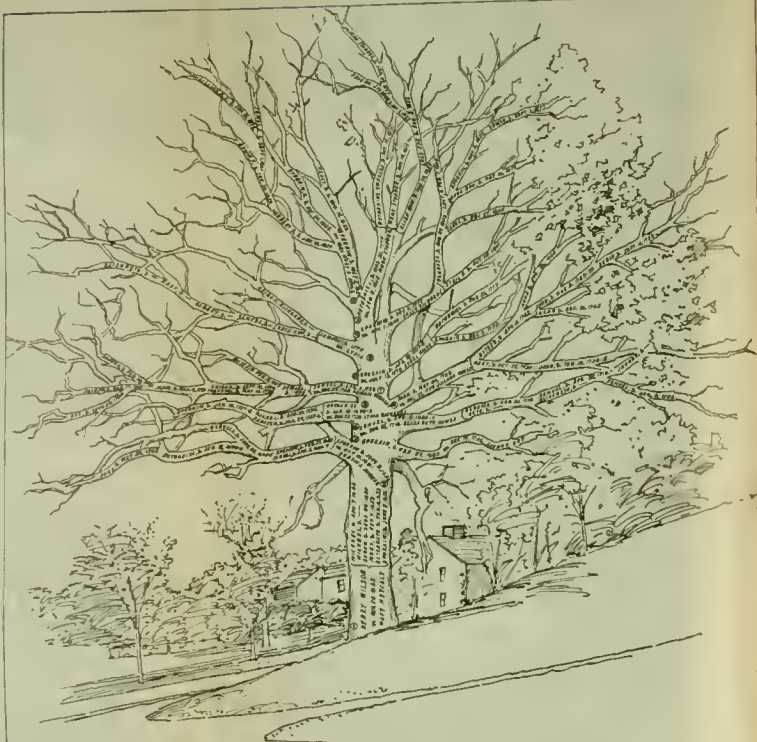
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## PREFACE

It has been a pleasure to write the genealogy of Dover families, to make this contribution of human history, because the inhabitants have been to an unusual degree a broad-minded, patriotic people, free from the provincialisms of towns less favorably situated. From its first settlement the life of this community has been effected by the city only thirteen miles away. The town has felt the effects of the printing press and the railroad, two great civilizing agencies. Dover has had from the first an educated ministry, good schools, early library facilities and abundant roads. It is a self-evident fact that where a community exists sufficient unto itself and with no contact with the outside world there humanity sours, grows morbid and wrong. By its location Dover has at least been saved from this condition. Here has been exhibited the virtues of patriotism—"economy, industry, simplicity, frugality, humility and reverence," all of which is best appreciated by those whose family tree has taken deep root in this soil. It would have been a pleasure to have included in this genealogical history other families who have made Dover their place of residence in recent years, but persistent effort failed to gain the necessary data. Acknowledgement should here be made of the substantial gifts that have been received from those who have evidently regarded it as an opportunity to contribute the illustrations which appear in this volume.

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Prof. Dolbear of Tufts College named some of the material bequests of the nineteenth century to the twentieth in a very interesting way, when he said: "The nineteenth century received from its predecessor the horse; it bequeathed the bicycle, the locomotive, and automobile. It received the goose-quill, and bequeathed the typewriter; it received the scythe, and bequeathed the mowing-machine; it received the sickle, and bequeathed the harvester; it received the hand printing-press, and bequeathed the Hoe cylinder press; it received Johnson's Dictionary, and bequeathed the Century Dictionary; it received the painted canvas, and bequeathed lithography, photography, and color photography; it received the hand-loom, and bequeathed the cotton and woolen factory; it received gunpowder, and bequeathed nitro-glycerine; it received the tallow-dip, and bequeathed the arc light; it received the galvanic battery, and bequeathed the dynamo; it received the flint-lock, and bequeathed the automatic firing Maxim guns; it received the sailing-ship, and bequeathed the steamship, the greyhound of the sea; it received the frigate Constitution, and bequeathed the battleship Oregon; it received the beacon signal-fire, and bequeathed the telephone and wireless telegraphy; it received wood and stone for structure, and bequeathed skyscrapers of steel. Such are a few of the bequests of the nineteenth century to the twentieth."

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"Wonderful indeed was the atmosphere and spirit of many a New England house of the former period. The world has never seen anything finer. Little in the way of luxury and adornments was evident. Few books and magazines entered the door. But those which came were fit to repose on the parlor table, while on the shelves were at least a dozen volumes of standard worth. In hundreds of such pioneer homes scenes were enacted from time to time similar to those which Whittier portrays in *Snowbound*, when parents, children and guests entered with zest into simple pastimes and then fed their inner lives with discourse on high themes."

# DOVER GENEALOGIES.

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## ADAMS.

1. James<sup>8</sup> Adams<sup>†</sup> (Richard<sup>7</sup>, Richard<sup>6</sup>, Richard<sup>5</sup>, Ansel<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, Henry<sup>1</sup>), b. 1800, m. 1825. Honora, dau. Stephen and Margaret (Jackson) Roberts of Boston. He was a descendant of Henry Adams, who came from Essex, England, and settled in Braintree in 1640. Mr. Adams was a paper maker and worked for many years in the paper mills at Charles River. A family of eleven children kept him busy. His son, John, learned the blacksmith's trade and opened a shop on the Dover side at Charles River. His daughter, Maria, received a Normal School education and was a successful teacher. This family entered into the social life of the community, which in those days consisted of social gatherings at houses, where the young played games, spelling schools, singing schools, tea parties, balls at the Williams Tavern which were largely attended by people from out of town, choir rehearsals, and the monthly meetings of the Ladies' Sewing Circle connected with the First Parish Church. One institution of the town has entirely disappeared, the "Speaking School." During the winter each district would invite the other schools of the town to come to its school-house and bring their best speakers. There was much rivalry and each school presented its best talent. The boys and girls learned pieces of great length, which they often delivered

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<sup>†</sup>The place of residence, by streets, of the subjects of these sketches will be found in "Dover Farm" published by the Dover Historical Society, 1914.

with much dramatic effect; at the close of the exercises the best speaker was chosen by general consent. Sometimes the boys and girls went out of town to meet the best speakers of other places. Fred Adams, although a small boy, won all the honors at Medfield in his delivery of "Marco Bozzaris" and "Jephtha's Rash Vow." Children:—

Andrew, b. 1827, d. in 1862, in Army Hospital, New Orleans.  
 John, b. 1829, m. Elizabeth Manly, d. 1892, in Cochesett.  
 James, b. 1831, died in infancy.  
 Sarah, b. 1832, died in infancy.  
 Margaret, b. 1834, m. Luther Harriman, d. 1894, in Wayland.  
 Pamela, b. 1836, d. 1875, in Framingham.  
 James, b. 1838, m. Betsey Hall, d. 1870 in Natick.  
 Frederick, b. 1840, m. Addie Kelley, d. 1893, in Brighton.  
 Rosanna, b. 1842, d. in infancy.  
 Stephen, b. 1845.  
 Maria A., b. 1848, m. William Cobb, Natick.

2. John<sup>3</sup> (John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>) was born in Mercer, Maine, Apr. 6, 1824, m. Oct. 7th, 1845, Lydia Jane, dau. Rufus and Lydia (Mann) Battelle, b. Feb. 23, 1824, d. Feb. 4, 1884. He died May 2, 1888. Mr. Adams owned the Farrington farm on Main street, and united with farming the manufacture of shoe-filling, the making of boots and shoes, and later a milk route at South Natick. He sold his farm and business in the early sixties and moved with his family to Elmira, N. Y., where he worked as a bootmaker. Children:

Ariadne J., b. July 7, 1852, m. John J. Mortimer, Elmira, N. Y.  
 Edgar J., b. June 8, 1857, d. April 14, 1858.  
 Herbert A., b. Dec. 31, 1861, m. Margaret Hoise, Horsehead, N. Y.

## ALLEN.

1. Eleazer<sup>3</sup> Allen (Joseph<sup>2</sup>, James<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 25, 1688, m. July 9, 1712, Mary, dau. of John and Hannah (Holbrook) Battelle, b. Feb. 1, 1683-4, d. Jan. 12, 1759. Mr. Allen died Jan. 3, 1759. He lived on the Allen homestead on Centre street adjoining Medfield, which he settled in 1712. He attended church at Medfield and opposed the organization of the Springfield Parish.

Mr. Allen was descended from Reginald Allin of Colby, Norfolk, England, who was a large land holder there in the latter part of the 16th century. Reginald Allin was a son of Richard Allin, but who the latter was is not definitely known. James Allen, from whom most of the Dover Allens are descended, was a grandson of Reginald Allin, and a nephew of the Rev. John Allin, the first minister of Dedham. James Allen probably came to America with his uncle, the Rev. John Allin. He received his first grant of land in Dedham in 1638. In 1649 he became one of the thirteen proprietors of the town of Medfield. James Allen was the fifth to receive a grant of land there. He married, in 1638, Ann Guild, who came with several brothers from Scotland to America in 1637-8. In this family we have the blood of the Scotch and English united. Members of the Allen family settled in Dover before it was made even a precinct in Dedham, and easily became leaders when the Springfield Parish was formed. As a family they have been distinguished as teachers and have ever had a lively interest in all educational affairs. Children:

- (2) Eleazer, b. May 27, 1713.

Mary, b. June 10, 1717, m. Samuel Richardson, Medway.†

Obadiah, b. Sept. 27, 1721, blacksmith, settled in Wrentham.

Samuel, b. June 10, 1724, cooper, res. in Wrentham.

Esther, b. May 22, 1731, m. Pelatiah Morse, innkeeper, Natick.

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†Mr. Richardson later moved to Brookfield with his family. He has been often confused by genealogists with Samuel Richardson of Wrentham who represented an entirely different family.

2. Eleazer<sup>1</sup>, Jr., (Eleazer<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, James<sup>1</sup>), b. May 27, 1713, m. May 17, 1740, Phebe, dau. Jonathan and Margaret (Fairbanks) Wight, of Medfield, b. Dec. 14, 1713, d. Jan. 15, 1803. He died Nov. 29, 1796. Mr. Allen lived on the homestead on Centre street. He took part in the Revolution. Children:

- (3) Eleazer, b. Aug. 24, 1740.

Amy, b. July 3, 1746.

Sybil, b. Dec. 4, 1749.

Rebecca, b. Oct. 18, 1754.

Phebe‡ m. June 7, 1770, Benj. Day, Wrentham.

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‡Date of birth not recorded.

3. Eleazer<sup>5</sup> (Eleazer<sup>4</sup>, Eleazer<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, James<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 24, 1740, m. Jan. 2, 1768, Rebecca, dau. Seth and Rebecca (Andrews) Mason, b. Sept. 19, 1742. He d. Feb. 18, 1825. Mr. Allen lived on the homestead on Centre street. He rendered an early service in the Revolution. Children:

Rebecca, b. June 19, 1769, d. Oct. 18, 1774.

Mehitable, b. Nov. 3, 1773, m. Jan. 5, 1792, Jesse Newell.

John, b. Oct. 30, 1779, m. June 13, 1805, Polly Cheney.

4. Fisher<sup>5</sup> (Noah<sup>4</sup>, Noah<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, James<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 25, 1747, m. May 9, 1771, Rachel, dau. Jonathan and Abigail (Wilkinson) Smith of Medfield, b. 1749, d. Dec. 1, 1829. He took up his residence in Dover previous to the organization of the West School (1784) and after its establishment was for many years the district school master. He was a selectman, tythingman, assessor and among those in Medfield, who, in 1777, agreed to go to Boston for the "Newes Papers." Mr. Allen inherited his grandfather's farm on Bridge street. He died June 25, 1842, having lived to the advanced age of 95 years. Children:

Miriam, b. Oct. 29, 1772, m. Dec. 4, 1793, Daniel Kingsbury, Walpole.

Abigail, b. Oct. 12, 1774, m. Nathaniel Fiske, Holliston.

Rachel, b. June 5, 1777, d. Oct. 26, 1778.

Rachel, b. Sept. 20, 1779, m. May 20, 1802, Daniel Mann.

5. Hezekiah<sup>5</sup> (Joseph<sup>2</sup>, James<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 3, 1692, m. Apr. 4, 1722, Mary, dau. of Daniel and Elizabeth (Bracket) Draper, b. Nov. 5, 1696, d. Oct. 25, 1775. He died Aug. 16, 1775. Mr. Allen purchased a tract of land and built a house on Pegan hill in 1724. He was a Captain in the militia and a prominent citizen. Mr. Allen was a carpenter by trade and was made chairman of the committee, appointed in 1749, to prepare timber for the First Parish Meeting-house. Being a prominent man, a seat of dignity was assigned him in the new meeting-house, and the chair which Mrs. Allen occupied is still in existence, and had been at that time many years in the family. Before the organ-



ization of the church in Dover, Hezekiah Allen attended services at Natick. Children:

- (6) Hezekiah, b. April 15, 1724.  
     Mary, b. July 2, 1727, d. Jan. 12, 1739.  
     Timothy, b. Aug. 31, 1729, d. Nov. 23, 1736.  
     Elizabeth, b. Aug. 7, 1731, m. 1753, Ebenezer Newell.  
     Hannah, b. Nov. 21, 1733, m. 1752, Ebenezer Battelle.  
     Mehitable, b. April 30, 1736.  
     Abigail, b. March 22, 1741-2, m. May 17, 1773, Ebenezer Newell.

6. Hezekiah<sup>4</sup> (Hezekiah<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, James<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 15, 1724, m. July 25, 1745, Jemima, dau. of Timothy and Jenima (Ware) Kingsbury of Needham, b. Feb. 11, 1726, d. Apr. 13, 1755, m. 2ndly Feb. 25, 1757, Mary, dau. William and Hannah (Chenery) Peters, b. 1732, d. May 23, 1813.

He d. July 12, 1798. Mr. Allen was a farmer and a prominent citizen. He had land from his father's farm. The cellar of his house can still be seen on the Dorr place on Farm street, where he built in 1749. He was elected to many offices and served on many important committees. He was Captain of the town's militia company, and served at the Lexington Alarm.

His son, Hezekiah Peters, gave the longest service of any member of the family in the Revolutionary War. In March, 1781, he re-enlisted in the Continental Army for three years even at a time when there were revolts among the troops because the soldiers had not only seen no pay for months, but were receiving only about an eighth of the regular ration of meat. He was no stranger to the life of the soldier having previously enlisted three times, covering a service of nearly a year. He was a member of the Continental Army when it was disbanded by Congress, Oct. 18, 1783. "Without a settlement of their accounts, and without a farthing of money in their pockets," the army that had won American independence from Great Britain disbanded on the order of Congress and retired in perfect good order to their homes, bearing with them their arms as memorials of their heroic experience, some of which are still preserved in Dover homes.

"The soldiers who fought out the long and bitter revolutionary struggle, on disbandment received only notes for three months' pay, due in six months with 6 per cent. interest. The public penury was so pronounced that the government declared it to be impossible to make any cash payments. And so this war-worn body of patriots, many of whom, broken in health, and all suffering in some degree from the strain of their arduous experience, turned from the life of the camp to take up again the interrupted civil activities from which they had been called. The first army that was formed in the cause of the revolution was composed of volunteers, many of whom had left their plows standing in the field; of artisans and small tradesmen who had broken off abruptly the occupation in which they were engrossed." At the close of the war Hezekiah Peters Allen settled in Bowdoinham, Maine, where he died in 1826, leaving numerous descendants.

Morrill Allen prepared for college by reciting to the Rev. Benjamin Caryl, giving the summer to work on the farm and the winter to study. Being entirely dependent upon his own labor, he met the expenses of his college education by teaching school. He was so successful as a teacher that his services were in such demand that he met all the expenses of his college education and graduated without being in debt. He entered Brown University with advanced standing in 1795 and graduated with honors in 1798. He studied theology with the Rev. Dr. Fobes of Raynham, a popular and eloquent preacher. In 1801 he was settled over the First Parish Church of Pembroke, of which he remained pastor for nearly forty years. As a preacher he was noted for his brevity and originality of treatment. He never attempted to set forth but one point in a discourse, but earnestly endeavored to impress that one point on his hearers. Soon after his settlement he found that a salary of \$475 a year was not adequate to meet the expenses of a growing family. His native aptness for teaching, and his love for the work prompted him



*R. Gorham Fuller's House. Hezekiah Allen settlement, 1723*  
*From "Remodeled Farmhouses" by Mary H. Norboud*



*A Colonial Kitchen*

to open a school and to receive boys into his family. He was so successful in this enterprise and his pupils became so numerous that the work in connection with his parish was such a tax upon his strength that in order to escape ill health he was obliged to give up his school. He next turned his attention to farming in order to increase his meagre salary. Many smiled at the minister's farming and predicted a complete failure, but soon found that he was the most successful farmer in the county, having adopted the plan of selecting different crops for different soils. He was one of the founders and for many years President of the Plymouth County Agricultural Society, one of the oldest in the country. In 1849 he was elected a member of the Royal Agricultural Society of Tunis in Sardinia. He commenced as early as 1834 to sow the seed of pine trees on barren soil, and thus became a pioneer in the noble work of clothing naked plains with valuable wood and timber, a work which he lived to see wonderfully extended, not only at home but also on the prairies of the great West. While a minister he never voted for an officer of State or General Government, but the people recognized his worth and soon after his retirement from the ministry he was elected for two terms to the Massachusetts Senate, of which body he was an efficient and honored member. He became a frequent contributor to agricultural papers and always dwelt upon his own observations and experiments, rather than upon scientific research. He died possessed of a large estate, and his example as a farmer did much to advance the cause of agriculture throughout the country. He was one of the first to utilize surface earth, and the piles of such earth on his farm were at first contemptuously called "Allenites," but having demonstrated its worth, the same term was continued in honor of the originator of a useful practice. Children:

(7) Timothy, b. Apr. 28, 1746, d. July 10, 1823.

Jemima, b. Feb. 15, 1747-8. m. Jonathan Parker†, m. 2ndly Nov. 3, 1777, Isaac Shepard, Needham.

†Killed at Lexington, April 19, 1775.



Rachel, b. Feb. 4, 1749-50, m. May 10, 1773, David Cleveland.

Susa, b. Sept. 30, 1752, d. Sept. 13, 1754.

Hezekiah, b. May 27, 1754, d. June 17, 1754.

Calla, b. Jan. 11, 1759, m. Sept. 17, 1777, Joseph Smith.

Zillah, b. Sept. 8, 1760, d. May 22, 1836.

Hezekiah Peters, b. May 3, 1762, m. Miss Thompson, res. Bowdoinham, Maine.

(8) Perez, b. Feb. 8, 1764.

(9) William Pitt, b. Oct. 21, 1766.

Hitta, b. Aug. 30, 1768, d. May 29, 1776.

Calvin, b. Mar. 1, 1770, m. Abigail Richards, settled in Warwick.

Polly, b. Mar. 11, 1773, d. July 2, 1776.

Patty, b. Mar. 11, 1773, m. May 10, 1798, Moses Fisher.

Morrill, b. Apr. 3, 1776, m. Mar. 14, 1801, Hannah Dean.

7. Timothy<sup>5</sup> (Hezekiah<sup>4</sup>, Hezekiah<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, James<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 20, 1746, m. Dec. 3, 1772, Rebecca, dau. Thomas and Rachel (Graves) Eames of Framingham, b. Oct. 23, 1750, d. Mar. 21, 1833. He d. July 10, 1823.

Mr. Allen lived on the homestead on Pegan hill, was a prominent man and a Lieutenant in the militia. During the latter years of his life he became insane, owing to a fall from the pole of an ox cart. He served in the army in this vicinity during the Revolutionary War.

His son Thaddeus settled in Boston, where he died Apr. 18, 1883, in his 97th year. His youth was spent on his father's farm, and while preparing for college he spent the winter months in teaching school. He served for a time as copyist to Prof. Shurtleff of Dartmouth College, who in turn assisted him in his studies. He graduated from Brown University in 1812. He intended to follow the medical profession, but failing health led him into business. For a time he was in a wholesale business in Boston, having formed a partnership with his brother Timothy. Their sign read: T. & T. Allen, T. Wharf. In 1820 Thaddeus Allen opened a private school on Chauncy street. He was a fine Greek and Latin scholar; his work was largely preparatory for College, and in giving instruction to adults who desired to take private lessons. He was the author of a work in 3 vols. entitled

"An Inquiry into the Views, Principles, Services and Influences of the Leading Men in the Organization of Our Union." This work is an exhaustive treatment of the subject and is held in high esteem especially by those foreigners who wish to study the principles of our government. He was a member of the General Court in 1857 and for many years a member of the Boston School Committee. Children:

- Timothy, b. Mar. 4, 1774, d. Aug. 20, 1775.
- (10) Hezekiah, b. Dec. 12, 1775, d. Nov. 18, 1858.  
Mary, b. Sept. 21, 1777, m. June 8, 1797, John N. Sumner, Ashford, Conn.
- Polly, b. Dec. 31, 1779, m. Oct. 19, 1809, Ira Richards.
- (11) Timothy, b. May 19, 1782, d. Apr. 3, 1869.  
Rebecca, b. May 20, 1784, m. Jan. 14, 1805, Ebenezer Smith.  
Thaddeus, b. May 14, 1787, d. Apr. 18, 1883, m. Nov. 27, 1814, Clarissa Bullard, res. Boston.
- (12) Jared, b. Apr. 11, 1789, d. Jan. 9, 1874.

8. Perez<sup>5</sup> (Hezekiah<sup>4</sup>, Hezekiah<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, James<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 8th, 1764, m., Dec. 24, 1789, Mehitable, dau. Moses and Mehitable (Battelle) Richards, b. May 28, 1772. Mr. Allen was a farmer and owned, with his brother, William Pitt Allen, the original Hezekiah Allen, Jr., place on Farm street. He held many town offices and served on many committees. The names of the several offices which he filled carry us back a century—"highway surveyor," "hog reeve" and "field driver." He is also called "Ensign" and "Captain" in the town records. He moved to Warwick. Children:

- Julia, b. Feb. 19, 1792.
- Leonard, b. July 4, 1794, d. Feb. 2, 1798.
- Otis, b. Sept. 11, 1796.
- Mehitable, b. May 26, 1799.
- Perez, b. July 20, 1801.

9. William<sup>5</sup> Pitt (Hezekiah<sup>4</sup>, Hezekiah<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, James<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 21, 1766, m., Mar. 25, 1789, Kaziah, dau. Asa and Beriah (Fisher) Mason of Medfield, b. 1770. He moved to Medfield about 1798, from the Dorr place on Farm street, to live with

his wife's father, then in advanced age. He had an eccentric and somewhat foolish brother-in-law, Ebenezer Mason, who assisted about the farm work. One day in the spring of 1802 as the two were at work in the field laying out manure from a cart preparatory to planting, Mason became offended and struck† Allen on the head with the shovel he was using. He died soon after from the effects of the blow. For this act Mason was executed in Dedham the same year. Children:

- Reuben, b. Sept. 12, 1789, m. Mary B. Shedd.
- Willard, b. Nov. 4, 1791, d. Oct. 4, 1792.
- Willard, b. Aug. 5, 1793, residence, Deerfield.
- Patty, b. Jan. 3, 1796, m. Sept. 7, 1814, Ralph Battelle.
- Ira, b. July 11, 1797, settled in Pawtucket, R. I.
- (13) Amos, b. 1799 in Medfield, m. Adaline Goodnough.
- Mary, b. 1802 in Medfield, m. Uriah Brett, 2nd, Ezekiel Capen.

10. Hezekiah<sup>6</sup> (Timothy<sup>5</sup>, Hezekiah<sup>4</sup>, Hezekiah<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, James<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 12, 1775, m. Aug. 5, 1802, Julitta, dau. of William and Hannah (Ellis) Whiting, b. May 1, 1777, d. July 21, 1855, Louisville, Ky. He attended Harvard University, but did not graduate. Mr. Allen was a farmer and inherited the farm on Pegan hill, which he sold to his brother Jared. He held many offices of trust and responsibility. He died in Orange, N. J., Nov. 18, 1858.

Referring to the custom of the people, reference should be made to hair cutting which for generations was done in the home by the father or some older person skilled in the art. In winter boys wore their hair long, which was seldom cut before spring. The writer does not recall that he ever had the services of a barber before 1875, in which year his father died.

Self-shaving, or "taking the face off," as it was often called, was universal, and the keeping of the razor in order was a fine training for all those useful arts where edged tools were employed. The grinding of scythes and the sharpening of knives

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†Tilden's History of Medfield.



is today a lost art compared with the skill of our fathers fifty years ago in this kind of work.

The taking of a six-weeks' course in a "barbers' college" is hardly a substitute for the years of training which barbers used to receive. Dover farmers, who, perhaps, a few times in their lives employed the services of a city barber used to tell of their fine skill at shaving. Men and boys almost universally combed their hair in front of their ears; a person who wore his hair behind his ears was said to look like a "licked dog."

Self-shavers soon learned the trick of heating the razor-blade by thrusting it in hot water. This made the razor cut more evenly and effectively as it expanded the smooth cutting edge. Children:

Almira, b. Nov. 24, 1803, m. Apr. 22, 1824, Leonard Perry.

Julia, b. Aug. 2, 1805, m. at Christ's Church, Hartford, Conn., July 30, 1835, Rev. Peter Minard, d. in St. Louis, Oct. 4, 1840.

Catherine, b. Mar. 4, 1806, d. Oct. 28, 1829.

Harriet, b. Aug. 27, 1808, d. Sept. 1838.

Allston, b. Sept. 30, 1810, m. June 5, 1833, Eliza R. Ordway, res. Lowell.

Hannah E., b. Sept. 22, 1813, m. in Baltimore, Md., Oct. 16, 1845.

Luther W. Mason, who gained a world-wide reputation as the originator of a system of musical study for schools.

11. Timothy<sup>6</sup> (Timothy<sup>5</sup>, Hezekiah<sup>4</sup>, Hezekiah<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, James<sup>1</sup>), b. May 19, 1782, m. June 4, 1807, Abigail, dau. of Samuel and Abigail (Mason) Fisher, b. Feb. 24, 1785, d. Jan. 28, 1859. He died Apr. 3, 1869. Mr. Allen was in business in Boston for a time, but returned to Dover and lived on the Eben Higgins farm, also at Powisset. Children:

Lucy F., b. Oct. 21, 1808, d. Aug. 3, 1855.

Fisher Ames, b. Sept. 29, 1814, d. July 25, 1883.

Samuel F., b. Apr. 19, 1822, m. Hannah Ellis, res. West Dedham.

(9) Timothy, b. Sept. 8, 1825.

12. Jared<sup>6</sup> (Timothy<sup>5</sup>, Hezekiah<sup>4</sup>, Hezekiah<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, James<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 11, 1789, m. Nov. 4, 1816, Hannah, dau. Richard and Hannah (Bird) Richards, b. Dec. 22, 1791, d. Sept. 17, 1852, m. 2ndly, 1858, Hannah P., widow of Elijah Russell, and

dau. of John and Ruth (Tolman) Dickerman, b. May 21, 1807, d Jan. 4, 1899. He died Jan. 9, 1874. Mr. Allen was in business in Boston for many years and had stall No. 29 near the head of Fan-euil hall market. Retired to Dover and for a time carried on the Pegan hill farm to which his son, Sumner, and son-in-law, John P. Batchelder, succeeded. He was a major in the State militia. Children:

Martha, b. Aug. 2, 1817, d. Dec. 21, 1818.

Martha B., b. Jan. 4, 1820, m. John P. Batchelder.

Sumner S., b. Apr. 1, 1822, d. Nov. 6, 1865, m. Eliza B. Gilman.

13. Amos<sup>6</sup> (William Pitt<sup>5</sup>, Hezekiah<sup>4</sup>, Hezekiah<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, James<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 18, 1799, m. May 25, 1826, Adaline, dau. William and Phebe (Mann) Goodenow of Natick, b. July 25, 1803, d. Sept. 27, 1871. He died July 28, 1870. He was a stone mason by trade and lived on the Joseph Chickering farm on Haven street. He later settled in Natick. Children:

Elizabeth F., b. Aug. 13, 1829, d. Jan. 13, 1842.

Amos C., b. Oct. 17, 1831, d. Feb. 1871.

Martha B., b. May 26, 1835, m. Charles Whiting.

James M., b. May 25, 1837, d. 1837.

John M., b. May 25, 1837, d. 1837.

14. Timothy<sup>7</sup> (Timothy<sup>6</sup>, Timothy<sup>5</sup>, Hezekiah<sup>4</sup>, Hezekiah<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, James<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 8, 1825, m. Dec. 24, 1860, Sarah A., dau. Samuel and Susan (Johnson) Richardson, b. Aug. 18, 1838. He died August 17, 1893. After his marriage Mr. Allen first lived in Dover, where his son was born, but later settled in West Dedham. Children:

Geo. Henry Allston, b. Jan. 20, 1863, m. May 1891, Cora A. Hopkins, res. Worcester.

Emma Frances Alice, b. Apr. 5, 1873, d. Sept. 5, 1873.

15. Aaron<sup>4</sup> (Samuel<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Walter<sup>1</sup>), b. in Sudbury Dec. 31, 1707, m. Dec. 6, 1733, Hannah, dau. John and Elizabeth Mason of Dedham, b. May 1, 1710, d. July 27, 1777. He died in March, 1754. Mr. Allen was descended from Walter Allen,

who was in Newbury, in 1640, afterwards in Charlestown, Watertown and Weston. He was left an orphan when only twelve years old and was brought up by his father's cousin, Benjamin Allen of Dedham. He lived on the Bullard farm on County street. Children:

Judith, b. Mar. 1, 1733-4.

Benjamin, b. Dec. 23, 1735, d. before Mar. 19, 1756.

(16) Samuel, b. Dec. 26, 1740.

Moses, b. Dec. 21, 1743.

16. Samuel<sup>5</sup> (Aaron<sup>4</sup>, Samuel<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Walter<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 26, 1740, m. Sept. 20, 1765, Sarah, dau. Samuel and Sarah (Day) Morse of Wrentham, b. May 16, 1735. Mr. Allen lived on County street and moved to Medford in 1783. Children:

Benjamin, b. Dec. 10, 1765, d. Jan. 1766.

Benjamin, b. May 6, 1767.

Polly, b. May 25, 1772.

Samuel, b. Feb. 23, 1774.

17. David<sup>3</sup> Ellis (Elijah<sup>2</sup>, Ephraim<sup>1</sup>) was a son of Elijah and Hannah Allen, b. in Medway Oct. 18, 1812, m. Nov. 16, 1834, Martha Ann, dau. Ebenezer and Mary (Brown) Whitney, b. Feb. 9, 1817, d. Apr. 26, 1847, m. 2ndly June 10, 1849, Clarissa Allen, dau. Ebenezer and Rebecca (Allen) Smith, b. June 9, 1818, d. Mar. 9, 1893. He d. Dec. 10, 1878. Mr. Allen united with farming the manufacture of shoes in a little shop in connection with his house. This industry was very common in Dover a half century ago and was kept up by him longer than by most residents of the town. Mr. Allen always spoke of his descent as in the line of Ethan Allen of Revolutionary fame, a fact of which he was very proud. Children:

Mary Antoinette, b. Dec. 26, 1835, d. 1854.

Mary Brown, b. July 21, 1838, d. Sept. 3, 1857.

Martha Antoinette, b. Aug. 10, 1841, m. June 22, 1865, Henry H. Horton, res. Malden.

Elizabeth Ellis, b. Nov. 12, 1843, m. Sept. 7, 1864, Joseph H. Proctor, she d. Apr. 23, 1906.

## AMBLER.

1. Colburn<sup>1</sup> Ambler, b. 1770, m., May 5, 1801, Sally, dau. Jesse and Azubah (Turner) Day, b. 1779, d. Jan. 16, 1831. He d. June 20, 1851. Mr. Ambler was born in Sutton, but spent his younger days in Wrentham, where he married Miss Day, a granddaughter of Ephraim Bacon of Dover. This may have led him to take up his residence here. He lived at Dover Center and worked at farming, also in the rolling mills at Charles River. The wages received at this time should be recorded. First-class young men who received the highest wages got fifteen dollars a month from April to November.

Women, if employed at all, received from fifty to seventy-five cents a week, the latter price being the wages paid women for teaching summer schools. Holidays and sick days were either made up at the end of the season or deducted. Under these circumstances the hired man who gathered \$150 for a season's work was fortunate.

During the winter months many young men returned to their homes in the northern New England States or the Provinces. His son Artemas was a machinist and worked for forty years in the rope walk at the Charlestown Navy Yard. His daughter Rebecca married James R. Davis, a cabinet maker, who read law and was admitted to the bar at Milford, where he resided and was an associate justice of the Court. Children:

- (2) Harvey, b. in Needham, Apr. 12, 1803.  
 Artemas, b. in Dover, Oct. 12, 1807, res. Charlestown.  
 Elizabeth G., b. in Dover, Feb. 12, 1810, m. Joshua W. Smith, Needham.  
 Jeremiah D., b. in Needham, Dec. 28, 1815, a carpenter.  
 Rebecca B., b. in Needham, May 29, 1819, m. James R. Davis, Dedham.

2. Harvey<sup>2</sup> (Colburn<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 12, 1803, m. Oct. 12, 1827, Lavinia Dyer, dau. Jesse and Mary (Colburn) Cook of Needham, b. Sept. 18, 1804, d. Apr. 24, 1886. Miss Cook was descended from Capt. Cook, to whom George K. Clarke, the historian of Needham, thus refers: Capt. Cook had been a select-

man in Dedham, was our first representative in the General Court, a member of the board of selectmen and our first town treasurer, also moderator of a hundred town meetings. For over forty years Capt. Cook was the most prominent citizen of Needham except the minister. Nathan Cook, who represented Dover in the Revolution, was a descendant of Capt. Cook and was born in Needham. Mr. Ambler died in Natick April 18, 1884. He lived as a boy in the family of Capt. George Fisher and during the war of 1812\* went to Fort Warren for nine days and represented Capt. Fisher, who drew pay for his services during the time. He was a drummer and carried his kettle drum with him. Mr. Ambler was a paper maker and worked in the paper mills at Charles River. His daughter, Lydia L., is the inventor and patentee of the "Ideal Tent and Summer House," while Mary R. has written a good deal for publication, mostly short stories and poems under the nom de plume of Hope Holly and Clara Perry. Some of her writings are in the library of the Dover Historical Society. Children:

- Harvey A., b. in Needham, May 2, 1829, m. Emeline J. Drury, res. Charlestown.
- Horace E., b. in Needham, May 2, 1829, m. Maranda M. Williams, res. Natick.
- Sarah E., b. in Needham, Feb. 22, 1831, m. Henry B. Hall, Bethel, Maine.
- Luther C., b. in Dover, July 21, 1832, m. Caroline A. Boyden, res. Natick.
- William T., b. in Needham, Oct. 28, 1835, m. Martha A. Bramley, res. Natick.
- Mary R., born in Dover, May 27, 1837, m. Joseph H. Esty, res. Natick.
- Lydia L., b. in Needham, Nov. 6, 1840, m. Isaac B. Pope, Natick.
- James A., b. in Needham, Apr. 2, 1842, m. Mary A. Furber, res. Natick.
- Artemas C., b. in Needham, Jan. 8, 1844, m. Eliza T. Jenkins, res. Cincinnati.
- Jerry Nelson, b. in Needham, May 26, 1845, m. Sylvia B. Morrison, res. Natick.

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\*The publication by the state in 1915 of the Massachusetts Militia during the War of 1812, shows that in addition to the list of Dover Soldiers previously given, Reuben Newell, Leonard Gay and John Plimpton took part at Fort Warren from Sept. 13 to Nov. 30, 1814, in Capt. Geo. Fisher's Detached Company from Dover and vicinity.

## AYRES.

1. Jesse<sup>1</sup> Ayres purchased a house lot of two acres on Dedham street near Day's bridge, where he built in 1794. This place was afterwards known for many years as the residence of Thomas Smith. Mr. Ayres' line of descent has not been traced. He married in Dover, October 7, 1790, Mehitabel, dau. Joshua and Martha (Fisher) Kingsbury of Dedham, b. Jan. 31, 1766. He moved in 1815 to Lancaster. Children:

- Mary, b. —, m. July 23, 1812, William Vose, Needham.  
 (2) Fisher, b. —.  
 Sarah, b. —.

2. Fisher<sup>2</sup> (Jesse<sup>1</sup>), m. Sally Worcester of Lancaster, b. August, 1789, d. Jan. 19, 1879. He died in 1839. Mr. Ayres lived on the Barden farm at the "New Mill" and worked out as a farm hand, also worked in the mill in the winter season. Mrs. Ayres did service in many households and long survived her husband. Previous to her death Mrs. Ayres was for many years the only surviving member of the family in town; she lived in a house which stood on the grounds of the Sanger High School. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Ayres were born in various places. Their names are here brought together, lacking, however, many facts relating to births, deaths, etc. Children:

- Fisher.  
 (3) Calvin, b. Aug. 12, 1827.  
 Frank.  
 Benjamin.

†Lorenzo, went to California in "50" and d. there later.  
 Elizabeth, m. 1848, Thomas Ruggles. She d. Dec., 1896.  
 Mary Ann, did not marry and settled in California.

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†Residents of Dover who went to California previous to 1860: Hiram Adams, 52; Lorenzo Ayers, 50; Mary A. Ayers, 54; Hiram Barden, 52; Edwin Battelle, 50; G. Summer, Battelle, 53; Jackson Battelle, 49; Samuel Bemis, 53; Geo. E. Chickering, 57; Otis Chickering, 52; John Ford, 52; Joseph Graves, 50; Albert Gay and family, 51; Charles Ferguson, 50; John Ferguson, 50; Ezra Keys, 53; Charles Marden, 52; J. Warren Munroe, 57; John L. Moore, 54; Luther Richards, 59; Abigail Ricker, 51; Isaac Smith, 50; E. D. Shedd, 49; Walter W. Upham, 49; Charles Whiting, 53; Ithamar Whiting, 1st, 49; Ruggles Whiting, 53; Smith Whiting, 51; Asa Wilson, 49; Henry Wilson, 54; Henry M. Gay, 60.





*Bridge Street, used since 1656*



*Residence N. S. Bartlett, Jr. Andrew Dering settlement. 1649*



3. Calvin<sup>3</sup> (Fisher<sup>2</sup>, Jesse<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 12, 1827, m. 1848, Rebecca, dau. Atwood and Urania Cady of Blackstone, b. 1824, d. 1871. He enlisted from Dover in the Civil War and gave an honorable service. He d. Dec. 11, 1884. Children:

Emma M., b. July 20, 1849, m. 1868, Edwin C. Moulton, d. Apr. 11, 1892.

William H., b. July 15, 1850, m. May 30, 1889, Mary M. Hale, Needham.

Sarah J., b. July 20, 1851, unmarried.

Ruth E., b. Feb. 7, 1853, m. Nov. 30, 1870, Washington I. Fearing, Hingham.

George F., b. Mar. 18, 1858, m. 1892, Lydia Bowker of Maine.

### BACON.

The Bacons were early settlers in Dover. In 1663 the following grant was made: Granted unto John Bacon, Nathaniel Fisher and Thomas Batle a parcell of Land in leiw of a part of their Naticke Devident as it lyeth in a neck of land beyond nowanits (Noanet) ware in an elbow at turn of Charles River. This grant comprised the northwest corner of Dover adjoining Natick. Here in 1682 John Bacon built a house for his son John (Belden farm) having been given permission to take timber from the Common for the purpose. John Bacon, Jr., married in 1683 the daughter of Andrew Dewing, who formerly occupied an adjoining farm. Mr. Dewing was a minister to the Natick Indians and lived only a mile away from their settlement; he was also an assistant to the apostle Eliot. Thomas Battell succeeded Mr. Dewing as the owner of this farm (N. S. Bartlett, Jr., estate) on the Clay brook road near the picnic grounds of the late Benjamin N. Sawin. John Bacon gave to his sons, John and Michael, in 1728-9 the respective farms on which they were living near the Natick line.

1. John<sup>3</sup> Bacon (John<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>1</sup>), b. July 17, 1658, m. Dec. 15, 1683, Lydia, dau. Andrew and Ann Dewing, d. Nov. 17, 1754. He died Oct. 27, 1732. Children:

Lydia, b. Oct. 12, 1684.

Rebecca, b. June 30, 1687.

Rachel, b. Mar. 30, 1690, m. June 5, 1729, David Lawrence, Wrenham.

Phebe, b. Mar. 30, 1690.

(2) John, b. Jan. 31, 1693.

(3) Michael, b. Mar. 21, 1696.

2. John<sup>4</sup> (John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 31, 1693, m. Elizabeth, dau. of John and Rebecca (Ellis) Fisher, b. Apr. 11, 1696, d. Aug. 27, 1740, m. 2ndly Abigail —. He died Nov. 3, 1749. He was one of the petitioners for the organization of the First Parish in 1748. His farm was the land now comprised in the B. N. Sawin and E. T. Phelps estates on the Clay brook road. There was a cider mill on this farm in 1748. Children:

Rebecca, b. Dec. 30, 1717, m. Hezekiah Broad.

Elizabeth, b. Jan. 1720, m. Mr. Hunting.

John, b. Apr. 17, 1722, a housewright, res. Natick

Oliver, b. Oct. 19, 1724, res. Natick.

(4) Richard, b. Mar. 12, 1726-7.

(5) Jeremiah, b. Aug. 24, 1729, a cordwainer.

Hannah, b. Aug. 25, 1732, m. Nathan Ellis.

Mary, b. Dec. 11, 1734.

Abigail, b. Jan. 29, 1737.

Joseph, b. —, was a housewright and lived in Sherborn in 1772.

3. Michael<sup>4</sup> (John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 21, 1695-6, m. May 16, 1721, Abigail, dau. Ralph and Sarah (Fuller) Day, b. Mar. 29, 1695. He had his farm from his father's estate (Charles M. Belden place) on the Clay brook road. He sold his farm in 1762 to Josiah Bacon and moved to Natick. Children:

Michael, b. July 25, 1722, m. Mary Mills, Needham.

(6) Ephraim, b. Nov. 31, 1724.

Sarah, b. Feb. 9, 1726-7.

Nehemiah, b. Jan. 4, 1728-9, d. Dec. 17, 1798.

(7) Josiah, b. Jan. 6, 1730.

Lydia, b. Dec. 21, 1734, m. Mar. 1, 1759, Joseph Draper, Jr.

(8) William, b. Sept. 24, 1735.

4. Richard<sup>5</sup> (John<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 12, 1726-7, m. Mar. 11, 1756, Anna, dau. Jonathan and Sarah (Smith) Hawes of Needham, b. Oct. 10, 1733, d. Apr. 20, 1763,

m. 2ndly July 5, 1764, Sarah Cheney of Dedham, d. Sept. 23, 1800. Richard Bacon had that part of his father's farm on Main street which was known for many years as the Cleveland place, where he settled in 1756. He served in Col. Samuel Bul-  
lard's Regiment from Natick at Lexington and Bunker Hill. He d. in Natick, Sept. 2, 1810. Children:

Richard, b. Jan. 10, 1757.  
Jonathan, b. Apr. 9, 1760.  
Amasa, b. Aug. 4, 1765, d. May 5, 1834.  
Sarah, b. Jan. 24, 1772, m. Jeremiah Smith.  
Micah, b. Jan. 13, 1774, d. July 7, 1776.

5. Jeremiah<sup>5</sup> (John<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 24, 1729, m. Aug. 15, 1752, Anna, dau. Jonathan and Anna (Bul-  
lard) Whiting, b. Jan. 6, 1728-9. Mr. Bacon was a cordwainer by trade; he lived on the John Bacon farm on the Clay brook road. Children:

Silas, b. Sept. 11, 1753.  
Jeremiah, b. Apr. 30, 1754.  
Moses, b. Jan. 17, 1756.  
Anna, b. Mar. 29, 1761, m. Mar. 1, 1792, Ephraim Bacon.  
Jesse, b. Aug. 11, 1763, settled in Troy, N. Y.  
Betty, b. Jan. 28, 1766, d. Mar. 12, 1766.

6. Ephraim<sup>5</sup> (Michael<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 30, 1724, m. July 10, 1753, in Boston, Rebecca Reynolds. He lived on the east part of the original Michael Bacon homestead on the Clay brook road. Children:

David, b. —.  
Rebecca, b. Feb. 12, 1754, m. Aug. 20, 1772, Joseph Day, Walpole.  
Mary, b. Apr. 24, 1755, m. 1777, Joseph Wood, Stoughton (?)  
Ephraim, b. May 26, 1756, m. Mar. 1, 1792, Anna Bacon, Dover.  
Phebe, b. Nov. 3, 1757.

7. Josiah<sup>5</sup> (Michael<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Micheal<sup>1</sup>), b. 1730, m. Nov. 27, 1755, Abigail, dau. Jonathan and Martha Smith of Needham, b. Aug. 10, 1734. Lived on the John Bacon homestead on the Clay brook road. Children:

- (9) Josiah, b. May 26, 1757.  
 Michael, b. Feb. 4, 1759.  
 Abigail, b. Nov. 14, 1760, m. May 24, 1781, Thomas Sawin, Jr.,  
 Natick.  
 Timothy, b. Aug. 2, 1762.  
 James, b. 1761.

8. William<sup>5</sup> (Michael<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 24, 1735, m. Feb. 15, 1759, Elizabeth Hawes. He died Dec. 20, 1818. He lived for a time on his father's farm on the Clay brook road, but later moved to Natick. In 1780 he returned to Dover and in 1798 bought the George McKenzie farm in the south part of the town. Although he spent much of his life in Dover, the records relating to him are very meagre. Moses and Aaron are believed to have been his sons. Children:

- William, b. 1759.  
 (10) Moses, b. ——.   
 (11) Aaron, b. ——.

9. Josiah<sup>6</sup>, Jr. (Josiah<sup>5</sup>, Michael<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>1</sup>), b. May 26, 1757, m. Olive ——. He died Jan. 29, 1800. Mr. Bacon lived on the John Bacon homestead on the Clay brook road. Children:

- Ralph, b. May 27, 1780, d. Nov. 17, 1784.  
 Patty, b. Nov. 10, 1782, m. Apr. 10, 1805, Benjamin Day.  
 Ralph, b. Sept. 12, 1785, d. Apr. 25, 1867, Orange.  
 Michael, b. Oct. 8, 1787, d. June 24, 1788.  
 Michael, b. May 1, 1790.  
 Josiah, b. Sept. 26, 1792, d. Jan. 29, 1800.  
 Timothy, b. Jan. 4, 1794.  
 Sherman, b. Sept. 19, 1797.  
 Josiah, b. Feb. 26, 1800.  
 Loring, b. 1805.

10. Moses<sup>6</sup> (William<sup>5</sup>, Michael<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>1</sup>), m. Anna.—Lived in various places in town. His last residence was on the Charles Dickens place, Centre street, which he sold in 1819. Children:

- Betsey, b. June 15, 1782.  
 Anna, b. Feb. 1, 1785, m. Ebenezer Wilkinson.  
 Eunice, b. Nov. 19, 1787.

Jesse, b. Nov. 9, 1790.

Sally, b. June 8, 1783, d. June 19, 1793.

Bela, b. Jan. 10, 1795, of Dedham, 1819.

11. Aaron<sup>6</sup> (William<sup>5</sup>, Michael<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>1</sup>), m. Apr. 4, 1799, Aseneth, dau. Stephen and Hannah (Babcock) Prentiss of Sherborn, b. June 2, 1774. Children:

Harriet, b. —, d. Oct. 7, 1802.

Enoch, b. Mar. 6, 1804, d. 1891 in New York.

Benjamin P., b. July 9, 1806.

12. Silas<sup>6</sup> (Jeremiah<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup> Michael<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 11, 1758, m. June 28, 1787, Molly, dau. John and Abigail (Cheney) Draper, b. June 12, 1767, d. Oct. 6, 1815. Silas Bacon settled on Main street on the farm owned by the late Henry R. Stevens and his house is still standing. Mr. Bacon was a captain in the militia and a blacksmith at a time when his services called for a variety of work not undertaken by the blacksmith of today. He d. July 3, 1840. Children:

Fanny, b. June 28, 1788, d. in Natick in 1866.

Silas, b. Mar. 3, 1790, m. Polly Colburn, res. Newton Upper Falls.

Horace, b. Dec. 7, 1791, res. Newton Lower Falls.

(13) Martin, b. Feb. 6, 1794, m. Jan. 9, 1820, Sophia Brackett, Weston.

Abigail, b. Feb. 26, 1795, m. Feb. 19, 1814, Reuben Newell.

Alfred, b. Oct. 6, 1798, m. Nov. 23, 1834, Harriet Perry, res. Natick.

Mary, b. Sept. 30, 1801, m. John W. DeMerritt.

Calvin W., b. —.

12. Martin<sup>7</sup> (Silas<sup>6</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 6, 1794, m. Jan. 9, 1820, Sophia, dau. David and Susannah (Bird) Brackett of Weston, b. Oct. 3, 1791, d. Nov. 12, 1868. He died Apr. 21, 1858. Mr. Bacon had land from his father's farm, on which he built on Main street. Children:

(14) Francis, b. Mar. 4, 1821, m. June 1858, Mary A. Brigham.

Susannah B., b. Nov. 15, 1823, m. Nov. 25, 1842, Stephen H. Garfield.

Harriet H., b. Jan. 12, 1825, d. Nov. 1891.

Mary D., b. Sept. 26, 1826, m. May 17, 1848, Otis H. Moulton.

Abigail N., b. Oct. 19, 1829, m. Oct. 19, 1855, D. Lafayette Garfield.

Hannah, b. Nov. 1, 1832, m. Feb. 27, 1873, Luther Pierce.

(15) Silas, b. May 5, 1835, m. 1862, Frances Hildreth.

14. Francis<sup>8</sup> (Martin<sup>7</sup>, Silas<sup>6</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup> John<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 4, 1821, m. June 8, 1857, Mary Annie, dau. John Gott and Lucy (Howe) Brigham, Concord, b. May 8, 1833 d. Apr. 22, 1906. He died Aug. 12, 1905. Lived on Pleasant street. Children:

Lula H., b. May 23, 1860, m. 1886, George Brown.  
(16) Frank E. b. Feb. 23, 1863.

15. Silas<sup>8</sup> (Martin<sup>7</sup>, Silas<sup>6</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>1</sup>), b. May 4, 1835, m. May 14, 1863, Frances Eliza, dau. Franklin and Sarah P. (Haskell) Hildreth of Woodstock, Vt., b. May 15, 1836, d. Sept. 21, 1897. Lived at the homestead on Main street. Child:

Katherine B., (adopted), b. Glasgow, Scotland, June 6, 1877, m. Dec. 23, 1896, Clarence E. Simpson.

16. Frank<sup>9</sup> E. (Francis<sup>8</sup>, Martin<sup>7</sup>, Silas<sup>6</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 23, 1863, m. Dec. 30, 1895, Louise Ada, dau. Charles August and Henrietta (Yorkewitz) Ghoerke, b. in Needham, now Wellesley, Oct. 2, 1866. Child:

Irene Louise, b. Nov. 21, 1896.

Aaron<sup>7</sup> (Stephen<sup>6</sup>, Elijah<sup>5</sup>, Stephen<sup>4</sup>, Stephen<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 1, 1811, m. Apr. 11, 1836, Mary S., dau. Thomas and Martha (Davis) Brooks of Lincoln, b. Dec. 6, 1814, d. Jan. 8, 1902. He died July 8, 1895. Mr. Bacon was a farmer (Patrick Slavin place on Farm street); although his farm was not a large one, it was one of the best kept in town. He was a public-spirited citizen, interested in the First Parish Church, the schools and in town improvements. He was for many years town treasurer and collector of taxes. Some years before his death he sold his farm and moved from town, but later purchased the Gay place on the Clay brook road, where he passed the remaining days of his life. Children:



Mary J., b. in Lincoln, July 31, 1837, m. Benj. N. Sawin.

Ellen M., b. in Lincoln, Nov. 11, 1839, m. Jan. 1, 1865, Albert L. Giles, Somerville.

Charles A., b. in Southboro, Apr. 25, 1842, d. Feb. 18, 1852.

(17) Albert H., b. in Southboro, Mar. 1, 1845.

Alfred A., b. in Southboro, July 22, 1847, d. May 1, 1873.

(18) Edwin F., b. in Dover, June 19, 1850.

Charles A., b. in Dover, Apr. 26, 1853, d. June 20, 1874.

(19) Walter T., b. in Dover, Dec. 1, 1855.

17. Albert<sup>8</sup> H. (Aaron<sup>7</sup>, Stephen<sup>6</sup>, Elijah<sup>5</sup>, Stephen<sup>4</sup>, Stephen<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 1, 1845, m. Apr. 4, 1876, Annie, dau. of Warren and Harriet (Pierce) Sawin b. Jan. 25, 1858, d. Dec. 16, 1879. He married 2ndly Dec. 25, 1881, Ella M., dau. Warren and Harriet (Pierce) Sawin, b. Aug. 10, 1850. With his brother, Edwin F. Bacon, he succeeded Linus Bliss as a grocer, but after a few years discontinued the business as the store was burned. He soon after moved to Waltham. Children:

Walter H., b. Sept. 15, 1878.

Chester W., b. Aug. 22, 1887.

18. Edwin<sup>8</sup> F. (Aaron<sup>7</sup>, Stephen<sup>6</sup>, Elijah<sup>5</sup>, Stephen<sup>4</sup>, Stephen<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>1</sup>), b. June 19, 1850, m. Apr. 14, 1874, Edna L., dau. Francis G. and Hannah (Thorpe) Gay, b. Jan. 13, 1852. He was in the grocery business with his brother for some years. Built the house on Springdale avenue, east of the Shoeing Forge. He had a responsible position on the estate of Benjamin P. Cheney for many years. Mr. Bacon now lives in Waltham. Child:

Howard E., b. Sept. 4, 1884.

19. Walter<sup>8</sup> T. (Aaron<sup>7</sup>, Stephen<sup>6</sup>, Elijah<sup>5</sup>, Stephen<sup>4</sup>, Stephen<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 1855, m. June 13, 1875, Sarah Nellie, dau. James H. and Mercy B. (Harrub) Soule, b. Jan. 29, 1857. He died in Waltham Jan. 13, 1904. Child:

Sadie N., b. May 30, 1876, m. May 20, 1897, Robert John Westwood, Waltham.

## BAILEY.

Timothy<sup>7</sup> Bailey (Timothy<sup>6</sup>, Nathan<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Isaac<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), son of Timothy and Betsey (Hunt) Bailey, was b. in Tewksbury, Jan. 13, 1807. m. July 15, 1845, Ann Jennett, dau. of Sherman and Hitty (Newell) Battelle. b. Sept. 17, 1817, d. Nov. 27, 1890. He d. Aug. 10, 1891. Mr. Bailey was descended from John Bailey, who came from England to America with a son, John. They settled in Salisbury, Timothy's grandfather married and settled in Tewksbury. He graduated from the Newton Theological School in 1842 and was ordained pastor of the Baptist Church at Oxford, Maine, Feb. 15, 1843, later he was pastor of the Baptist Church at Sincoe, Canada, where, after three years, he was prostrated with illness from which he never fully recovered. He retired from the ministry and settled in Dover. He was at one time the supervising member of the school committee. Children:

Jennie A., b. Nov. 1, 1847, d. June 21, 1848.

Herbert M., b. May 5, 1849, d. Nov. 17, 1856.

Marietta W., b. July 6, 1852.

Howard A., b. May 13, 1854, d. Jan. 23, 1856.

George S., b. Apr. 5, 1857, d. Aug. 29, 1862.

Carrie D., b. Aug. 27, 1860, d. Sept. 8, 1862.

## BAKER.

1. Jabez<sup>5</sup> Baker (Timothy<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Edward<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 9, 1737, m. June 11, 1767, Hannah, dau. Joshua and Mary (Partridge) Morse of Medfield b. 1742. He d. Jan. 6, 1823. Mr. Baker was descended from Edward Baker, who settled in 1630 in that part of Lynn which is now Saugus. He is supposed to have belonged to Gov. Winthrop's Company. He was admitted a freeman in March, 1630. Jabez Baker lived on Strawberry hill on the farm later owned by his son-in-law, Michael Draper. Children:

(2) Jabez, b. June 20, 1771.

Hannah, b. Apr. 26, 1773. m. May 27, 1794, Michael Draper.



*Jabez Baker House. John Day settlement, 1743*



*Next to farming, the earliest occupation in Dover*

2. Jabez<sup>6</sup> (Jabez<sup>5</sup>, Timothy<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Edward<sup>1</sup>), b. June 20, 1771. m. June 30, 1796, Abigail, dau. of Thomas and Abigail (Fisher) Burrage, b. Jan. 19, 1775, d. Jan. 27, 1863. He d. Sept. 25, 1854. Mr. Baker was a noted trader of the town and vicinity, an occupation that has entirely disappeared, and one which carried with it the purchase of farms, the swapping of oxen and horses, the buying and selling of cows, pigs, farm produce, etc., etc. He was an early member of the Baptist denomination. Children:

(3) Jabez, b. Apr. 25, 1799.

Abigail, b. Mar. 12, 1802, d. Nov. 23, 1890.

Mary, b. May 14, 1804, m. Nov. 1, 1824, Eliakim Morse, Medfield.

3. Jabez<sup>7</sup> (Jabez<sup>6</sup>, Jabez<sup>5</sup>, Timothy<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Edward<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 25, 1799. m. July 20, 1823, Ann, dau. of John and Abigail (Pratt) Burrage, b. Dec. 21, 1800, d. Dec. 29, 1887. He died July 5, 1877. Mr. Baker was a farmer and inherited the homestead on Dedham street; he was for many years an honored and respected citizen. Children:

George Warren, b. Oct. 9, 1824, d. Oct. 21, 1894.

Ann Matilda, b. Dec. 15, 1826, d. Jan. 16, 1896.

Mary, b. Jan. 14, 1828, d. June 8, 1851.

Henry, b. Oct. 11, 1837, d. Dec. 17, 1841.

### BALDWIN.

Joseph<sup>6</sup> Emerson Baldwin (Henry<sup>5</sup>, Joseph<sup>4</sup>, Theophilus<sup>3</sup>, Theophilus<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. in Norwich, Conn., July 30, 1824. m. May 15, 1854, Amy Maria, dau. Dea. Calvin and Elizabeth (Adams) Bigelow, b. Sept. 24, 1828, d. May 16, 1910, San Jose, California. Mr. Baldwin was descended in the sixth generation from John Baldwin of Stonington, Conn., a son of Sylvester Baldwin, who died on board the ship Martin, in the passage to America in 1638. The Baldwin line of descent in England has been traced through Sylvester<sup>3</sup>, Henry<sup>2</sup>, Richmond<sup>1</sup>, back to the year 1500. Joseph Emerson Baldwin



traced his ancestry to Capt. John Mason, who led the early settlers against the Indians and to whose memory a statue has been erected at Mystic, Conn. Mr. Baldwin at the time of his marriage, and for some years subsequent, was an engineer on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad and during those years his family lived in Dover. Later he went into business on Water street, New York City, where, with his brother, he engaged in cork-cutting, the machinery used having been invented by his brother-in-law, William R. Crocker. He resided in Brooklyn and with his family was greatly interested in the work of Plymouth Church in the years when Henry Ward Beecher was at the height of his influence and power. Mr. Baldwin represented the firm as a traveling salesman and died suddenly at Saratoga Springs, Sept. 29, 1885. Children:

Abbie E., b. Dec. 12, 1856, d. Sept. 22, 1877.

Francis E.,† b. Nov. 4, 1858, m. June 19, 1889, Laura B. Smith, res. Pueblo, Col., d. in San Jose, Cal., Mar. 18, 1912. Children.

Elizabeth Adams, b. Oct. 12, 1891, m. Norman H. Sloane, Asst. Supt. Monterey Forest Reservation, Santa Barbara.

Helen Marguerite, b. Jan. 1, 1896.

Ellen F., b. May 6, 1860, d. May 5, 1865.

Clarence A., b. Mar. 28, 1875, mechanical engineer, res. Tucaipa, Cali.

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†Mr. Baldwin was educated at the School of Mines, Columbia College. Owing to ill health he was obliged to give up his residence in the East, and go to Colorado, where he lived for many years. He served as private secretary to Governor Cooper of Colorado. During President Harrison's administration he was the Registrar in the United States Land Office at Pueblo, Colorado. Later Mr. Baldwin was admitted to the bar and practised as a land and mine attorney. A serious illness compelled him in 1903 to move to California and lead an out-of-door life. He settled in San Jose, and started up in the poultry business, making a specialty of the White Leghorn. He built up a business which put him at the head of the White Leghorn specialists on the Pacific Coast, receiving more prizes than any other breeder at the different poultry shows, when the competition, in this particular breed, was much stronger than any other.

## BARDEN.

1. Frederick<sup>1</sup> Barden, m. Jan. 12, 1796, Polly, dau. Robert Crossman, of Taunton, and settled in Dover. He was employed by the New Mill Company, being their superintendent, and lived in a house long since removed near the new mill. Some stately elms still remain near the house spot which were



silent witnesses of the life and business which once existed there, but which has long since disappeared. Mr. Barden was a quiet and respected citizen. He moved to Wakefield, N. H. Children:

- Polly, b. Dec. 16, 1797, m. May 8, 1820, James Wiswall, settled in the West.  
 (2) Calvin, b. Oct. 18, 1799.  
     Lucy, b. Apr. 5, 1802, m. Mr. Tappan.  
     Lydia J., b. Mar. 26, 1804, m. Geo. Gray, Dover, N. H.  
 (3) Frederick, b. Mar. 30, 1806.  
     Bradford, b. Oct. 8, 1808, res. Andover.

2. Calvin<sup>2</sup> (Frederick<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 18, 1799, m. May 7, 1827, Caroline, dau. of John and Abigail (Pratt) Burrage, b. May 6, 1804, d. Apr. 25, 1855. He was a blacksmith by trade and owned the Stanwood farm on Dedham street. Children:

- Hiram, b. Oct. 26, 1828, d. May 1, 1862.  
 Mary W., b. Dec. 27, 1830, m. Nov. 28, 1871, Daniel F. Mann.  
 Frederick, b. July 22, 1832, d. Feb. 8, 1870.  
 Anna, b. Aug. 7, 1835, d. Jan. 13, 1843.

3. Frederick<sup>2</sup> (Frederick<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 30, 1806, m. Nov. 29, 1832, Elizabeth, dau. Josiah and Betsey (Mann) Newell, b. Apr. 3, 1810, d. Sept. 24, 1884. He d. Sept. 25, 1877. Mr. Barden was for many years a beloved citizen of Newton, the place of his adoption, and was a very successful manufacturer. His early life was spent in work in the rolling mills at Dover, later at Wareham, with a year at Pembroke, Maine, where he was employed in setting up large mills. He derived from nature "an agreeable person, a sound constitution, a solid understanding, and a benevolent heart." About 1845 he settled in Newton Upper Falls and built mills which employed some forty men, doing a business which sometimes involved two hundred thousand dollars a year. In all the years of his business life he never had a strike; he gave his workmen what was just and right, and they loved him as a father. He was very frank and had a racy Saxon speech which sometimes

bordered on bluntness. He was a man of unbounded cheerfulness and always carried with him the sunshine of a cheerful greeting. Mr. Barden represented Newton in the Legislature, and was the last representative of that town elected by the Whig party. He made vigorous war against rum sellers who sought to establish themselves in the village of his residence in order to gain the wages of the working men. He was generous and distributed of his means with a liberal hand and a large sympathy always went with his gifts. He was a deacon in the Channing Church at Newton. Mr. Barden always took a deep interest in the First Parish Church of his native town and endowed its Parish Library. His life is worthy of emulation; in all public enterprises he was always willing to do his part. "The temptations in business never bent his uprightness, the struggles of hard times never hardened his heart." In the great school of life, through labor and hardship, he built up a character which was strong, tender and helpful to those around him. A friend said: "His neighbors all admired, honored and loved him."

### BARTLETT.

1. Clement<sup>2</sup> Bartlett (William<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 10, 1795, m. 1824, Frances T. Whittenmore, b. Nov. 18, 1805, d. Oct. 3, 1850. He m. 2ndly 1855 Mrs. Nancy (Everett) Draper, widow Charles Draper, who d. Nov., 1876. He died Mar. 2, 1870. Mr. Bartlett was a farmer and lived on Strawberry hill. He was a deacon in the Baptist Church and a respected citizen. He was born in Plymouth, but removed with his father to Norway, Maine, when five years old. Mr. Bartlett first settled in West Roxbury, later in West Dedham, and still later took up his residence in Dover.

Henry† L., b. July, 1826, m. Feb., 1853, Mary A. Wiggin, West Dedham, m. 2ndly 1879, Elvina F. Russell, of Roxbury.

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†All born in Dedham.

## Children :

- Frances E., b. Jan. 1828, d. Oct. 1829.  
 Alfred L., b. June 1830, d. at sea, May, 1853.  
 Anna E., b. June, 1832, d. Apr., 1897.  
 Jane H., b. Oct. 1835, m. 1856, Joseph Young, Boston.  
 (2) Andrew W., b. July 1837, m. 1861, Margaret J. Fearing.  
 Francis A., b. Dec. 1846.

2. Andrew<sup>3</sup> W. (Clement<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>), b. July, 1837, m. Aug. 31, 1861, Margaret J., dau. Perez L. and Margaret (Corthell) Fearing, b. Mar. 9, 1839, d. Feb. 18, 1888. He died at Beaufort, S. C., Feb. 28, 1864. Child :

Margaret E., b. July 28, 1863, m. Apr. 30, 1882, Herbert L. Fuller, res. Waltham.

3. Albert<sup>2</sup> Bartlett (David<sup>1</sup>), b. in West Newbury, Oct. 7, 1818, m. Nov., 1855, Dolly Ann, dau. Jonathan and Philenia (Webster) Williams, born at Hampstead, N. H., Aug. 22, 1827, d. Sept. 12, 1889. He d. Apr. 3, 1896. Mr. Bartlett settled in Reading, where he lived until 1873, when he moved to Dover, having purchased the Fred B. Rice place on Farm street. Children :

Anna Alberteen, b. July 11, 1861, m. Nov. 16, 1881, Geo. Battelle.  
 Lennie Williams, b. May 24, 1863, a teacher in Somerville.

## BATCHELDER.

1. Eugene <sup>10</sup>, Batchelder (Samuel<sup>9</sup>, Samuel<sup>8</sup>, Jonathan<sup>7</sup>, Jonathan<sup>6</sup>, John<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, Stephen<sup>1</sup>), was born in New Ipswich, N. H., Nov. 13, 1822, m. June 16, 1864, Caroline, dau. David and Emma Deshon. He died Oct. 8, 1878. Mr. Batchelder was a son of the Hon. Samuel Batchelder, a pioneer in the industry of cotton manufactures in the United States. His mother was a daughter of Gen. John Montgomery. This family is descended from the Rev. Stephen Batchelder, a leading non-conformist minister, who lived in various places in Massachusetts and New Hampshire. Mr.

Batchelder was graduated from the Law School of Harvard University in 1845. He was remarkable for his acquaintance with English, German and French literature. He wrote many poems, some being set to music. One of his longer poems was published in book form under the title, "The Romance of the Sea Serpent." It passed through several editions. He had an interesting lecture in verse, which he often delivered. He engaged in farming and for many years owned the Forbes place on Main street. Child:

Maude Montgomery, b. Apr. 28, 1872.

2. John<sup>2</sup> P. Bachelder (Philip<sup>1</sup>), b. in Jay, Me., May 7, 1825, m. Nov. 14, 1850, Martha B., dau. Jared and Hannah (Richards) Allen, b. Jan. 4, 1820, d. Oct. 6, 1884. He died Feb. 23, 1893. Mr. Bachelder was on the road selling ladders for several years but succeeded to the Allen homestead on Pegan hill. The business of marketing—the selling of veal, butter, eggs, berries, and all kinds of farm produce—had been carried on for many years by his brother-in-law, Sumner Allen, from the Pegan hill farm. After Mr. Allen's death in 1865, Mr. Bachelder succeeded to the business, which he continued until seriously injured in Newton, after which time the business was discontinued. He was one of the early owners of a mowing machine, and did much mowing for farmers before mowing machines became common. Children:

Philip Allen, b. Mar. 14, 1854, m. Dec. 13, 1876.

Mary E. Farrington, res. Everett.

Hannah R., b. Aug. 4, 1856, d. Feb. 23, 1859.

Jared Allen, b. Apr. 21, 1859, m. Apr. 18, 1880, Annie M. Greer.

## BATTELLE.

1. Thomas<sup>1</sup> Battelle, the emigrant, m. Sept. 5, 1648, Mary,

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Note.—In the earliest records the name is spelled both "Battle" and "Battelle." On the petition of Jonathan Battle of Dover, the latter spelling was authorized by the General Court in 1821.

dau. Joshua and Mary Fisher, d. August 6, 1691. He died Feb. 8, 1705. The name Battelle seems to have been of Norman origin; it is found in England as early as the 12th century and has two coats of arms. Thomas Battelle's property as assessed seems to have been above the average. Mr. Battelle settled in Dedham about the time of his marriage, where he was admitted a freeman in 1654. He was prominent in the early history of the town, being for many years a school master and for a time town clerk. He was for five years one of the selectmen of Dedham, and one of the first settlers west of Strawberry hill. He acquired the farm of Lieut. Andrew Dewin on the Clay brook road in 1669, where the outline of the cellar is still visible, near the picnic grounds of the late Benjamin N. Sawin. This was the original Battelle homestead and was the home of his son, Jonathan, in 1726, at which time he deeded it to his son, Nathaniel. Thomas Battelle had grants which are very definite in locating his land. "Granted to Thomas Battle half an acre of upland and meadow bottom as it lieth near the Great Brook, near Natick, bounded by his own land southeast, the way to the brook, and by the brook in all other parts." In taking steps to lay out a road from Noanet's brook westward to an "Elbowe of ye River" in 1692, Thomas Battelle's "old field" is spoken of, which shows that he had cultivated land in the vicinity. Children:

- (2) John, b. July 1, 1652.  
Sarah, b. Aug. 8, 1654, m. Oct. 25, 1679, Silas Titus.
- (3) Jonathan, b. July 24, 1658.  
Martha, b. Aug. 9, 1660, d. Dec. 28, 1674.  
Mary, b. May 6, 1650, m. Mar. 20, 1677, John Briant, Scituate.  
Daniel, b. July 1, 1687, d. Feb. 10, 1717-8.

2. John<sup>2</sup> (Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. July 1, 1652, m. Nov. 18, 1678, Hannah, dau. Thomas and Experience (Leland) Holbrook. He d. Sept. 30, 1713. Mr. Battelle lived on the place best known as the Farrington farm on Main street, which he received from his father. He is believed to have moved to Dedham

about 1712, having given his farm to his son, John, Jr. Children:

- Hannah, b. July 26, 1680.  
 †Mary, b. Mar. 12, 1683-4, m. July 9, 1712, Eleazer Allen.  
 (4) John, b. Oct. 20, 1687.  
 (5) Ebenezer, b. Jan. 2, 1690.

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†Some genealogists have thought that Eleazer Allen, married Mary, daughter of Jonathan and Mary (Onion) Battelle; both were of marriageable age, but no documentary evidence has been found that is proof in either case.

3. Jonathan<sup>2</sup> (Thomas<sup>1</sup>) b. July 24, 1658, m. Apr. 15, 1690, Mary Onion. He lived on the homestead on the Clay Brook road, which he sold to his son, Nathaniel, in 1726-7. Children:

- Martha, b. Mar. 13, 1691, m. June 20, 1716, Ralph Day.  
 (6) Jonathan, b. Jan. 3, 1692-3.  
 Mary, b. July 4, 1694, d. Sept. 9, 1719(?)  
 Sarah, b. Oct. 20, 1698, d. Aug. 1, 1720.  
 Abigail, b. Dec. 11, 1709.  
 (7) Nathaniel, b. 1701.

4. John<sup>3</sup> (John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 20, 1687, m. Jan. 19, 1710-11, Abigail, dau. John and Mary (Mason) Draper, b. December, 1686. He died Feb. 14, 1729-30. Children:

- Abigail, b. July 12, 1713, m. Thomas Morse.  
 (8) John, b. Apr. 30, 1718.  
 Mary, b. Dec. 14, 1721, m. Sept. 14, 1742, Matthew Hastings.  
 James, b. Sept. 19, 1728, m. Oct. 12, 1749, Anna Mills, Needham, settled in Tyringham, where he died, 1813.

5. Ebenezer<sup>3</sup> (John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 2, 1690-1, m. Mar. 31, 1715, Abigail, dau. John and Sarah Gay, b. 1690, d. May 26, 1716, m. 2ndly Aug. 8, 1717, Abigail, dau. Joseph and Hannah (Sabin) Allen of Medfield, b. 1694), m. 3rdly June 16, 1747, Zipporah Ellis. He died Mar. 6, 1759. Believed to have lived on Strawberry hill. Children:

- Abigail, b. 1716, d. May 23, 1720.  
 Hannah, b. Oct. 26, 1719, d. Dec. 17, 1719.  
 Abigail, b. Mar. 31, 1721, m. Nathaniel Smith.  
 Hannah, b. May 31, 1723, m. Jonathan Day.  
 Mary, b. July 12, 1725, m. Apr. 30, 1747, William Fisher, Douglas.  
 (9) Ebenezer, b. Jan. 10, 1729-30, m. May 23, 1751, Prudence Draper.  
 Rebecca, b. Nov. 29, 1748, m. July 10, 1770, John Whiting, Jr.



6. Jonathan<sup>3</sup> (Jonathan<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 3, 1692-3, m. Feb. 2, 1722, Elizabeth, dau. Zachariah and Abiel (Ellis) Barber, b. 1700. He lived on the homestead on Main street, corner Haven street. Sanitary conditions have greatly improved in farm life; there are those who remember, before the day of screened doors and windows how house flies swarmed in the homes. On the first cold morning in the fall before the fire was kindled, the housekeeper often swept down a pint of flies which had gathered on the ceiling at the top of the room. In cases of consumption and fevers flies spread contagion through the neighborhood. Children:

Sarah, b. Nov. 20, 1722.

(10) Jonathan, b. May 30, 1724.

Thomas, b. Jan. 5, 1725, m. Oct. 8, 1750. Deborah Dunton, res. Boston.

(11) Ebenezer, b. Jan. 7, 1727-8.

Elizabeth, b. May 19, 1730.

Timothy, b. July 14, 1732.

Mary, b. Oct. 28, 1735.

7. Nathaniel<sup>3</sup> (Jonathan<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. 1701, m. Feb. 6, 1726-7, Tabitha, dau. Samuel and Deborah Morse of Sherborn, b. Feb. 2, 1701-2, d. Apr. 12, 1764, m. 2ndly, Nov. 29 1764, Silence, dau. Stephen and Silence (Partridge) Kingsbury of Wrentham. While there is no record of his birth, he is known to have been a son of Jonathan Battelle through the following transfer of real estate: Jonathan Battelle sold Nov. 14, 1725-6, to his son Nanthaniel "twenty-four acres of land with the buildings thereon on Clay brook road (Thomas Battelle place). After a time Mr. Battelle sold his farm in the Springfield Parish to his son and moved to South Natick, having purchased the farm now known as the Wiggin place. He died in Natick in 1778. Children:

Tabitha, b. June 25, 1731, m. Oct. 31, 1754. John Jones, Esq.

Silence, b. Nov. 15, 1734, m. Jan. 28, 1758. John Perry, Sherborn.

Martha, b. Jan. 6, 1736-7, m. James Mellen, Framingham.

(12) Nathaniel, b. Aug. 24, 1740.

8. John<sup>4</sup> (John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 30, 1718, m. Apr. 26, 1739, Mehitable, dau. of William Sherman of Connecticut, d. Feb. 5, 1807. He inherited his father's farm on Main street. Mrs. Battelle's brother, Roger Sherman, was a signer of the Declaration of Independence. When the First Parish was organized, Mr. Battelle made a determined effort to have the Meeting-house built near what later became the site of the Baptist chapel, but failing in this, he was loyal to the church, and when Mr. Caryl was ordained in 1762 entertained the Council at his own expense. Children:

- (13) John, b. Oct. 11, 1741.  
     Mehitable, b. Dec. 25, 1743, m. 1762, Moses Richards.  
     Olive, b. June, 5, 1746.  
     William, b. Aug. 15, 1748, settled in Torrington, Conn.  
     Unity, b. June 6, 1751, d. Sept. 20, 1754.
- (14) Josiah, b. July 15, 1756.  
     Olive, b. Jan. 19, 1760.

9. Ebenezer<sup>4</sup> (Ebenezer<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 10, 1729-30, m. May 23, 1751, Prudence, dau. Ebenezer and Dorothy (Child) Draper, b. Apr. 13, 1734. She m. July 3, 1777, Joshua Whiting, m. 3rdly Sept. 1, 1784, Maj. Jonathan Day. He d. Nov. 6, 1776. Mr. Battelle took an active part in the affairs which led up to the Revolution. He was one of the Committee of three to erect the Pillar of Liberty on the Dedham church green, and was associated with Dr. Ames and the Rev. Mr. Haven in procuring the wooden bust of William Pitt, which surmounted the "Pillar of Liberty." He sold his farm on Strawberry hill in 1772, but it is believed that he had previously moved to Westfield street in the Dedham First Parish. Ebenezer, Jr., graduated from Harvard and for some years was a bookseller in Boston, being the founder of the present firm of Little, Brown & Company, the oldest publishing house in the United States. He went with the pioneer emigrants to Marietta and later settled at Newport, Ohio. Children:

- Prudence, b. July 25, 1752, d. Aug. 10, 1752.
- Ebenezer, b. Feb. 4, 1754, m. Nancy Durant.

Prudence, b. Feb. 27, 1756, m. Feb. 27, 1776, Lieut. Timothy Stowe.  
 Abigail, b. May 6, 1758, d. Jan. 29, 1773.  
 Sarah, b. July 26, 1760, m. Nov. 14, 1781, Reuben Newell, Needham.  
 Joseph, b. Apr. 23, 1763, d. young.  
 Lucy, b. Dec. 10, 1764, m. Eleazer Everett, Francestown, N. H.  
 Anna, b. Jan. 12, 1768, m. May 18, 1786, Jonathan Fisher, Needham.  
 Dolly, b. Feb. 24, 1770, m. Rev. Jonathan Fisher, Blue Hill, Maine.  
 Hannah, b. May 24, 1772, m. Joel Smith.  
 Abigail, b. Aug. 11, 1774, m. Solomon Harwood.

10. Jonathan<sup>4</sup> (Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Jonathan<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. May 30, 1724, m. Jan. 2, 1754, Love, dau. Mark and Tabitha (Mellen) Whitney of Framingham. He d. 175—; she m. 2ndly, June 11, 1767, Barachias Mason of Medfield and was the grandmother of Prof. Lowell Mason, in his day the foremost musician in America. Barachias Mason was a Harvard graduate, a land surveyor, school master, singing school teacher and innholder.

Mr. Battelle lived on his father's farm on Main street. The children in our public schools may be surprised to learn that slaves had a suffrage existence in the colony of Massachusetts Bay for many years previous to the Revolution. George Sheldon in an article on Negro Slavery in Old Deerfield says: "There can be no dispute that for more than a hundred years before the foot of a slave was allowed to pollute the soil of Georgia, men, women and children were bought and sold and held and worked by the leading dignitaries of the Puritan Colony, and on the death of their owners were mentioned in their estates as property."

Slaves were owned in Dedham and their existence in the Springfield Parish is brought to our notice in the will of Nathaniel Battelle, who bequeathed to his wife, May 4, 1758, one negro boy about 4 years old, one cow, etc. This shows that slaves were owned in town after the organization of the Parish. Slavery existed here in its mildest form and slaves became in a measure like members of the family. Child:

Timothy, b. Sept. 21, 1756, was a storekeeper in Medfield.

11. Ebenezer<sup>1</sup> (Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Jonathan<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 7, 1727-8, m. 1752, Hannah, dau. of Hezekiah and Elizabeth (Draper) Allen, d. July 2, 1785, m. 2ndly, Mrs. Lois (Adams) Draper, widow of James Draper, d. Aug. 28, 1818. He died Feb. 18, 1806. He first settled the farm owned by the late Elbridge L. Mann, but after the death of his brother Jonathan he returned to the homestead on Main street. He was one of three persons from the Springfield Parish selected by the town of Dedham in 1773 to see that none of the inhabitants drank India tea, the town having previously voted that none should be drunk in the township. He was Captain of the Dover Company of sixty-six minute men, who marched at the Lexington Alarm and also served in Col. McIntosh's Regiment in fortifying Dorchester Heights. He furnished clothes made by Dover housewives to the Continental Army, for which he was paid 381 pounds and 2 shillings in 1780. Children:

- Hannah, b. Dec. 25, 1753, m. Jesse Fisher, Dedham.
- (15) Ebenezer, b. Dec. 2, 1755.
- (16) Hezekiah, b. Jan. 12, 1758.
- (17) Jonathan, b. Nov. 17, 1761.
- Abigail, b. Jan. 28, 1764, m. 1782, Barak Smith.
- Polly, b. Aug. 5, 1774, m. May 27, 1794, Luther Richards.
- Hetty, b. Aug. 8, 1777, m. Apr. 8, 1801, Ira Cleveland, Hopkinton.

12. Nathaniel<sup>1</sup> (Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, Jonathan<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 24, 1740, m. Mary ——. He was the first person from the Springfield Parish to receive a college education, having graduated at Harvard in 1765. He taught the Dover school in 1778. He last lived on the David Wight place on Dedham street, and had descendants who lived in Malden. Children:

- Nathaniel, b. —, settled in Beauford, S. C.
- Mary, b. —, m. Isaac Murry of Lexington.
- Thomas, b. —, Merchant of Boston.
- Jonathan, b. —, Merchant of Savannah, Ga.
- Richard, b. —, Merchant.
- John, b. Nov. 22, 1788.
- Ebenezer, b. Apr. 15, 1791, Merchant of Savannah, Ga.
- Tabitha } b. Sept. 23, 1798.
- Sarah }
- Harriet, b. —, lived in Mendon.



*Originally the store where Noah Fiske sold West India goods and New England rum*





*The Training Field, where the Minute Men assembled April 19, 1775*



13. John<sup>5</sup> (John<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 11, 1741, m. Nov. 10, 1762, Hannah, dau. Josiah and Hannah (Whiting) Richards, b. Nov. 1, 1741. Children:

Rufus, b. Apr. 4, 1764.  
 Phineas, b. Nov. 19, 1767.  
 Moses, b. May 7, 1770.  
 Sherman, b. Feb. 6, 1774.  
 Lucy, b. Apr. 5, 1776, m. David Cleveland.  
 Rebecca, b. July 9, 1778, m. Chas. Faskett.  
 John, b. Oct. 14, 1780.  
 Hannah, b. June 10, 1787, m. Jonathan Woolley.

14. Josiah<sup>5</sup> (John<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. May 15, 1756, m. Lucy, dau. Josiah and Hannah (Whiting) Richards, d. Oct. 22, 1822, m. 2ndly, Olive Turner of Walpole; she married 2ndly, Aug. 23, 1835, Nathaniel Capen. Mr. Battelle d. Oct. 5, 1834. He was a farmer and lived on the homestead on Main street. Children:

Betsey, b. Jan. 29, 1782, m. Apr. 20, 1817, John Brown.  
 Lucy, b. Aug. 25, 1885, m. Feb. 1809, Reuben Griggs.  
 (18) Josiah, b. Oct. 18, 1787.  
 (19) Sherman, b. Oct. 29, 1791.  
 (20) Rufus, b. Aug. 19, 1794.  
 (21) Roger Sherman, b. Oct. 16, 1796.  
 (22) Elbridge, b. May 1, 1813.

15. Ebenezer<sup>5</sup> (Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Jonathan<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 2, 1755, m. 1783, Hannah Richards. He died Jan. 7, 1810. She m. 2ndly Jan. 30, 1815, Abner Fitts, Andover, Vt.

He lived on the Jonathan Battelle homestead on Main street. He sold half of the house and two pieces of land to his son-in-law, John Harding, in 1811. Children:

Julia, b. May 12, 1784, m. 1810, John Harding.  
 Hannah, b. Sept. 10, 1787, d. Apr. 23, 1870.  
 Ebenezer, b. Aug. 21, 1789, res. Fair Grove, Mich.  
 Luther, b. Aug. 19, 1791. Went West.  
 Zippa, b. June 27, 1793.  
 Lucy, b. Apr. 9, 1797, d. Sept. 16, 1798.  
 Emmory, b. Oct. 28, 1799, d. Mar. 1, 1804.  
 Cyrus, b. May 5, 1802, settled in New York State.  
 Timothy, b. Dec. 6, 1804, settled in Michigan.

16. Hezekiah<sup>5</sup> (Ebenezer<sup>1</sup>, Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Jonathan<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 12, 1758, m. Oct. 12, 1782, Mary Mansell of Scituate, b. Dec. 27, 1761, d. 1853. He died Mar. 22, 1819. He served in the Revolutionary Army as a musician, was a farmer and cordwainer. Farms can degenerate as well as individuals. The Hezekiah Battelle farm, now overgrown, with its crumbling cellar, was once one of the best and most productive farms in town. Mr. Battelle was a good farmer, and is said to have cut more hay to the acre than any other farmer in Dover. Before the development of the dairy, grass was not cultivated as much as at present. His farm was on Centre street, but was long since abandoned. Hezekiah, Jr., graduated from Brown University in 1816, was a lawyer for many years in Fall River. William, who settled in Great Barrington, represented the town in the Legislature for two terms. Was a baker, also lived in Chicago and Brooklyn. Moved to Providence about 1840, where he continued to live. Children:

Polly, b. Sept. 7, 1785, m. Apr. 25, 1809, Joel Sawin.

Hezekiah, b. May 2, 1790, graduated from Brown in 1816, res. Fall River.

Rebecca, b. —, m. 1817, Wesley P. Balch, Medfield.

William M., b. —, settled in Great Barrington.

17. Jonathan<sup>5</sup> (Ebenezer<sup>1</sup>, Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Jonathan<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 17, 1761, m. Mercy, dau. Ralph and Mary (Ellis) Day, d. Feb. 28, 1841. He died Jan. 8, 1840. Mr. Battelle was a deacon in the First Parish Church. He owned the farm on Centre street, near Fisher's Bridge, which was first owned by Nathaniel Whiting. His son, Leonard Battelle, organized the first Sunday school in Dover in 1818—he settled in Needham. Children:

Hannah, b. July 6, 1785, m. Apr. 7, 1808, George Cleveland.

(23) Jonathan, b. Nov. 6, 1786.

(24) Ralph, b. Feb. 13, 1790.

Clarissa, b. May 10, 1792, m. Leonard Morse, of Sherborn.

Leonard, b. Sept. 27, 1795, d. Mar. 24, 1841.

Mercy, b. Feb. 6, 1798, d. Oct. 14, 1800.

Adaline, b. Sept. 14, 1801, m. July 20, 1821, Benj. Converse of Roxbury.

Isaac, b. Oct. 25, 1805, d. Mar. 30, 1808.

Mehitable, b. July 27, 1807, m. Nov. 29, 1832, Elijah Perry, Natick.

18. Josiah<sup>5</sup> (Josiah<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 18, 1787, m., 1812, Sukey, dau. Converse and Ann (Parks) Bigelow of Sherborn, m. 2ndly Mrs. Maria (Holbrook) Goulding. He built the house now owned by Charles S. Damrell on land which was originally a part of his father's farm. He was a whip maker by trade. Children:

Elbridge, b. May 1, 1813, res. Newburyport.

Mary A., b. July 24, 1815, m. 1835, Frederick Leland, Sherborn.

William B., b. Oct. 1, 1818, m. Julia Gay, res. Brooklyn, N. Y.

Susannah, b. July, 14, 1819, m. Apr. 26, 1845, Caleb Lambard, Wellfleet.

Sumner, b. Aug. 3, 1821, d. Oct. 5, 1831.

Sally Ann, b. Oct. 1, 1826, m. May 28, 1848, Chas. L. Drown, Newburyport.

Josiah Edwin, b. Aug. 6, 1830, res. Sherborn.

George Sumner, b. Mar. 23, 1832, res. Worcester.

Freeman, b. June 14, 1836, res. Holliston.

19. Sherman<sup>5</sup> (Josiah<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 29, 1791, m., 1815, Hitty, dau. Jesse and Hitty (Allen) Newell, b. Oct. 7, 1795, d. July 13, 1842; m. 2ndly, 1843, Mrs. Miranda (Turner) Twitchell of Petersboro, N. H., d. Aug. 14, 1887. He died Dec. 24, 1870. Mr. Battelle lived on Main street in a house built by himself. He was one of the founders and a liberal supporter of the Baptist Church. It was through an exchange of land made with him that the chapel was moved from Charles River to the site which it formerly occupied on Springdale avenue. Children:

(25) Eleazer Allen, b. Dec. 4, 1815.

Ann Jennett, b. Sept. 17, 1817, m. 1845, Rev. Timothy Bailey.

Monroe Lafayette, b. Feb. 23, 1824, res. New York City.

Caroline N., b. Nov. 18, 1831, m. Oct. 8, 1851, Abner L. Derby.

Roger Sherman, b. July 19, 1849, res. San Francisco, Cali.

20. Rufus<sup>5</sup> (Josiah<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 19, 1794, m. May 29, 1823, Lydia, dau. Daniel and Rachel (Allen)

Mann, b. July 14, 1804, d. Feb. 11, 1878. He d. Feb. 4, 1878. Mr. Battelle was a wheelwright and carried on his business for many years in the shop near his house on Farm street. Children:

Lydia J., b. Feb. 23, 1824, m. 1845, John Adams.

Geo. H., b. Oct. 4, 1825, d. Apr. 25, 1902.

Caroline A., b. Sept. 12, 1827.

Ann Frances, b. Aug. 4, 1830, m. 1851, Martin Derby.

Cyrus Freeman, b. Dec. 15, 1833.

Maria Josephine, b. Mar. 11, 1837, m. Asa Bean, d. Apr. 23, 1915.

Emma Elizabeth, b. July 8, 1840, m. Jan. 5, 1876, Irving Colburn.

21. Roger<sup>5</sup> Sherman (Josiah<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 16, 1796, m. July 1, 1818, Betsey, dau. John and Maria (Turner) Brown. He d. Nov. 6, 1838. Children:

Andrew Jackson, b. Aug. 8, 1825, res. Stockton, Cali.

Joseph Henry, b. Feb. 8, 1836, res. Providence, R. I.

22. Elbridge<sup>5</sup> (Josiah<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. May 1, 1813, m. Elizabeth. Children:

George E. (born in Pawtucket), Mar. 17, 1835.

Everett, b. Feb. 10, 1838.

Eugene, b. Mar. 2, 1841.

Minerva, b. Oct. 10, 1843.

23. Jonathan<sup>6</sup> (Jonathan<sup>5</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Jonathan<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 6, 1786, m. Apr. 19, 1810, Hannah, dau. Amos and Hannah (Morse) Wight, b. Sept. 6, 1790, d. Dec. 18, 1877. He died Mar. 21, 1848. Mr. Battelle settled on his father-in-law's farm—the Wight homestead on Farm street. He was an enterprising business man and run in connection with his large farm a beef and pork packing business, a grocery store, and at one time had a restaurant in Roxbury. His ancient furniture, copper measures and industrial articles make a collection of unusual interest, which his grandson has preserved. Child:

(26) John, b. July 4, 1811.

24. Ralph<sup>6</sup> (Jonathan<sup>5</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Jonathan<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 13, 1790, m. Sept. 7, 1814, Patty, dau. William

Pitt and Kazia (Mason) Allen, b. Jan. 3, 1796, d. Oct. 28, 1848, m. 2ndly, Sept. 23, 1849, Rachel A., dau. Daniel and Rachel (Allen) Mann, b. Aug. 12, 1807, d. June 4, 1888. Mr. Battelle was a deacon in the First Parish Church, a prominent citizen and several times elected a member of the board of selectmen. He lived for many years on Walpole street, where his children were born. He d. Mar. 8, 1878. Evening religious meetings were not held in Dover previous to the organization of the Baptist and Second Congregational Churches. Dr. Sanger called such gatherings "night meetings," and discouraged holding them as he believed they would be found detrimental to the morals of the young, especially young women.

Deacon Ralph Battelle of Medfield, who communicated this information, arranged to hold some "night meetings," but gave them up after the first meeting at the request of Dr. Sanger. Children:

Ralph A., b. Jan. 30, 1816, m. Apr. 14, 1842, Charlotte E. Hutson, res. Medfield.

Martha, b. Jan. 5, 1818, d. Mar. 9, 1840.

Willard, b. Jan. 2, 1822, m. Jan. 28, 1846, Lavinia Lovell, res. Taunton. Caroline, b. Sept. 23, 1826, m. Jan. 8, 1853, Daniel W. Phillips, D.D., d. Nashville, Tenn., June 17, 1886.

Mary C., b. Nov. 29, 1833, m. Nov. 29, 1855, Samuel D. Keith, m. 2ndly, Dec. 6, 1864, Joseph H. Baker of Medfield, d. Sept. 1, 1902.

25. Allen<sup>6</sup> Eleazer (Sherman<sup>5</sup>, Josiah<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 4, 1815, m. Oct. 16, 1855, Marcia J., dau. Joseph and Olive (Cushing) Baker, b. Nov. 28, 1833, d. Aug. 24, 1858, m. 2ndly Oct. 19, 1870, Emily, dau. Sumner and Nancy (Carpenter) McKenney. He died Nov. 11, 1896. Mr. Battelle was a graduate of Worcester Academy and the Newton Theological School. He was ordained and first settled over the Baptist Church in Hudson and later preached at Marshfield, Rockport, West Townsend, Middleboro, South Yarmouth, Dover, West Sutton, Sandersfield and Belchertown. He was much interested in the cause of temperance and education. At one time

he was Superintendent of Dover Schools. He acquired his father's farm on Main street. Children:

Marcia E., b. June 17, 1858, m. Nov. 1878, Everett Colburn, So. Natick.  
George Allen, b. Sept. 1872, d. Aug. 31, 1891.  
Judson Sumner, b. Apr. 1875.

26. John<sup>6</sup> (Jonathan<sup>5</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Jonathan<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. July 4, 1811, m. May 29, 1850, Mary D., dau. Jonathan P. and Eliza (Harding) Bishop, b. 1822, d. Jan. 23, 1863, m. 2ndly, Feb. 1, 1866, Ruby E., dau. Eleazar and Esther (Morse) Perry, b. Dec. 28, 1814, d. Dec. 12, 1893. He d. Nov. 11, 1884. Mr. Battelle was a prominent citizen and for several years a member of the board of selectmen. Mrs. Ruby E. Battelle was a devout member of the Baptist Church, a strong temperance advocate, and a consistent Christian woman. When in her last illness she was told by her physician that a strong alcoholic stimulant was all that could save her life, she said: "No, doctor, I cannot take it, having advocated temperance all my life. I will not now take whiskey to save my life. If I should do this, what would my word and example be worth among my neighbors and friends?" Mr. Battelle inherited his father's farm on Farm street. Children:

Caroline B., b. Jan. 13, 1851, d. Mar. 6, 1857.

Hannah E., b. July 14, 1853, d. Mar. 21, 1857.

John Elias, b. Dec. 11, 1855, res. Burbank, Cali.

Anna Mann, b. Jan. 3, 1858, m. Frank M. Jennings, res. Bissell, Washington.

(27) George, b. Aug. 23, 1860.

27. George<sup>7</sup> (John<sup>6</sup>, Jonathan<sup>5</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Jonathan<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 23, 1860, m. Nov. 16, 1881, Anna A., dau. Albert and Dolly Ann (Williams) Bartlett, b. July 11, 1861. He occupies the Battelle homestead on Farm street. Mr. Battelle united with farming for some years a large wholesale grain business, receiving each month several carloads of grain, direct



from the West, which he sold to the milk-producing farmers of the vicinity. Child:

Ward, Winfred, b. Mar. 19, 1883.

28. Ward<sup>8</sup> Winfred (George<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, Jonathan<sup>5</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Jonathan<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 19, 1883, m. Apr. 12, 1911, Linda Swain, dau. Walter Herbert and Eliza (Barney) Burgess. Children:

Rachel Burgess, b. Feb. 25, 1912.

Miriam Burgess, b. Feb. 25, 1912.

### BEAN.

Charles<sup>8</sup> S. Bean (James<sup>7</sup> M., James<sup>6</sup> O., Thomas<sup>4</sup>, Curtis<sup>5</sup>, Curtis<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), was born May 22, 1855, in Brownville, Me. His mother was Annette Swan of Conway. Mr. Bean m. May 27, 1880, Alice I., dau. Arthur F. and Emma (Pottle) Dodge, b. Nov. 30, 1860, d. Apr. 30, 1901. Mr. Bean is descended from John Bean, the emigrant who settled in Exeter, N. H., about 1660. Mr. Bean's great great grandfather, Curtis Bean, settled in Brownville, Me., about 1780, having previously lived in Poplin, N. H. He was a soldier in the Revolution and served in Capt. Nathan Sanborn, Co., Col. Tash, Second New Hampshire Regiment. His father, James Melville Bean, was a prosperous farmer and an esteemed citizen. His son has been for many years a resident of Dover, having purchased the Sawyer place on Strawberry hill. Mr. Bean is a member of the board of selectmen and greatly interested in the institutions of the town. He has for many years represented a Boston firm of flour merchants. Children:

Frank A., b. Mar. 13, 1882, res. Brownville, Maine.

Clarence G., b. Jan. 31, 1885, d. June 19, 1886.

Gladys M., b. May 12, 1889, d. Aug. 5, 1889.

Una H., b. May 7, 1890, m. Mar. 27, 1913, Bertrand Cole Wheeler.

Evelyn S., b. Feb. 1, 1893.  
 Harold M., b. July 1, 1894, d. July 4, 1901.  
 Arthur L., b. Dec. 2, 1895.

### BIGELOW.

1. Calvin<sup>6</sup> Bigelow (Converse<sup>5</sup>, Josiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>) was b. in Sherborn July 30, 1790, m. Nov. 11, 1819, Elizabeth, dau. Maj. Jasper and Amy (Rounds) Adams and settled in Dover. He was descended from John Bigelow, the progenitor of the American family, who was in Watertown as early as 1642, in which year he married Mary Warren. Calvin Bigelow was a blacksmith by trade and early engaged in the manufacture of plows. He first lived at Bliss' Corner, but later bought the Ebenezer Richards farm in the easterly part of the town. Mr. Bigelow died Jan. 24, 1872, and Mrs. Bigelow died in Millis, Nov. 6, 1887, aged 92 years. He was a Deacon in the Orthodox Church. Children:

Francis Adams, b. July 22, 1820, d. Aug. 5, 1820.  
 William Adams, b. Aug. 31, 1821, res. Elmira, N. Y.  
 Elizabeth M., b. Mar. 19, 1823, d. Jan. 13, 1829.  
 Francis C., b. Nov. 26, 1824, res. Worcester.  
 Calvin, b. June 17, 1826, m. Dec. 23, 1870, Lucy C. Daniels, E. Medway, res. Boston.  
 Amy Maria, b. Sept. 24, 1828, m. May 15, 1854, Joseph E. Baldwin.  
 (2) Charles M., b. July 11, 1830, d. Nov. 1892.  
 Warren, b. Mar. 31, 1834, d. Feb. 20, 1835.  
 Ellen E., b. Aug. 15, 1836, d. Jan. 13, 1867.

2. Charles<sup>7</sup> M. (Calvin<sup>6</sup>, Converse<sup>5</sup>, Josiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. July 11, 1830, m. Oct. 4, 1860, Hannah F., dau. Albert and Laura A. (Fisher) Thwing of East Medway, b. June 23, 1826, d. May 27, 1907. He died in Holliston, Nov. 27, 1892. Mr. Bigelow was a farmer and for many years carried on the Dedham street estate. Children:

Frank W., b. Sept. 1, 1861, d. Jan. 10, 1862.  
 Anna L., b. Oct. 9, 1862, m. Charles S. Pierce, res. Brockton.  
 Albert T., b. Oct. 12, 1865, d. 1906.

1. Abraham<sup>7</sup> Bigelow<sup>†</sup> (Isaac<sup>6</sup> 2nd, William<sup>5</sup>, Josiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), son of Isaac and Frances (Jackson) Bigelow, was born in Natick, May 19, 1810, m. Mar. 6, 1831, Mary Brown, dau. Ebenezer and Mary (Brown) Whitney, born in Dorchester, Mar. 18, 1813, d. Dover, Dec. 9, 1881. He d. Aug. 4, 1888. Mr. Bigelow was a farmer and fruit grower. He lived in Natick, Sherborn and Dover. Children:

George Henry, b. Natick, Oct. 15, 1832, m. May 25, 1867, Georgiana A. Ellis, lived in Medfield and Dover, d. in Dover, 1894, she d. in Natick, 1904, without issue.

(2) Edward Barton, b. Natick, Dec. 10, 1833.

Sarah Griffin, b. Natick, Nov. 6, 1835, m. Dec. 23, 1853, John Worthington Shumway, Dover, lived in Dover, Providence, Medfield. He d. in Medfield, Aug. 13, 1889; she is living in Medfield, without issue.

Mary Frances, b. Natick, Jan. 15, 1838, m. Apr. 16, 1857, Francis E., son of Maj. Eliphalet F. and Mary F. (Sisson) Mason, Dedham, lived in Medfield and Framingham. He was engaged in the manufacture of straw goods, d. Watertown, Aug. 27, 1909. She d. Medfield, Nov. 20, 1908. Child: Charles Frank Mason, b. Medfield, Apr. 13, 1860, grad. Harvard College, 1882, m. Sept. 23, 1886, Helen R. Baker, dau. Lieut. (U. S. N.) Henry R. and Sarah S. Baker, of Revere, lives in Watertown, Bursar Harvard University for many years. Children, all born in Watertown: Hugh, b. 1890, grad. Harvard, 1912. Helen E., b. 1894, grad. Wellesley College, 1916. Carol Y., b. 1902.

Abraham, Jr., b. Natick, Aug. 17, 1839, m. in Dover, July 10, 1867, Lydia A., dau. Eben and Lydia (Tucker) Higgins, b. Gloucester. She d. Natick, May 24, 1876, and he m. 2ndly, Mrs. Lucinda L. Ingram and lived many years in Wellesley, where he d. Aug. 3, 1914. Served 3 years in the Civil War, serg't 13th Reg't Mass. Vols., his unassuming courage and fine soldierly qualities winning the highest praise of his comrades. His only child, Susie Anna, b. Natick, Apr. 10, 1872, m. June 6, 1894, in Newtonville, James B. Newell, and has children Willard B. and Philip S.

Martha Allen, b. Sherborn. Mar. 7, 1841, d. Oct. 12, 1841.

<sup>†</sup>Mr. Bigelow's father, Isaac Bigelow, was born in Weston, being the son of William Bigelow, who moved about 1778 to Natick (now South Natick), and acquired the water privilege there. William became known there as Deacon William, to distinguish him from his son, William, who was of Harvard, 1794, and a well-known writer and schoolmaster (Master of the Boston Latin School for some years). Deacon William and his wife, Hepsibah (Russell) were the originals of Deacon Badger and Grandma Badger in Mrs. Stowe's Oldtown Folks. Mrs. Stowe's husband, Prof. Calvin E. Stowe, was a grandson of Deacon William Bigelow. Isaac Bigelow also figures in Oldtown Folks under the name of Uncle Jacob. Isaac and his brother, Col. Abraham, continued to operate and develop the water privilege at South Natick, digging the canal there in 1828 or 1829. Isaac built the colonial house, now so black and dilapidated, between the river and Glen street, just above the dam, and there Abraham Bigelow, 2nd, was born.

Chester Adams, b. Sherborn, Aug. 3, 1844, m. Nov. 1, 1868, in Dover.  
 Emma Eliza, dau. Albion K. and Eliza M. (Brown) Howe, res.  
 Wellesley, where he d. without issue, Mar. 3, 1915. Volunteered  
 and served 3 years Co. H., 13th reg't, in the Civil War.

2. Edward<sup>8</sup> Barton (Abraham<sup>7</sup>, Isaac<sup>6</sup>, William<sup>5</sup>, Josiah<sup>4</sup>,  
 Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Natick, Dec. 10, 1833, m. Frances  
 M., dau. Rufus and Malinda (Stanley) Whiting of Dover, m.  
 2ndly Ellen R. Gould of Natick, lived in Medfield, Westboro,  
 Providence, Dover, Natick, d. in Natick, 1908. Child:

Edward Gould, b. Dover, Oct. 4, 1886.

### BLACKMAN.

Warren<sup>1</sup> (Oliver<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 7, 1833, in Milton, m. Mar. 9,  
 1863, Emeline, dau. Henry and Emeline (Edwards) Goulding,  
 b. Oct. 20, 1840, d. Feb. 21, 1897. He died Nov. 25, 1902. Both  
 of his parents—Oliver Blackman and Olive Warren—were na-  
 tives of Maine. He was one of a family of fourteen boys and  
 girls. Mr. Blackman lived on Farm street, having built the  
 house occupied by the late Charles Williams. Children:

Caroline, b. Apr. 17, 1864, m. Dec. 8, 1885, John McClure.  
 Alice E., b. Dec. 10, 1880, m. Jan. 12, 1903, John Nelson Barnes; Child,  
 James Nelson Barnes, m. 2ndly, May 14, 1914, Walter Campbell,  
 Dedham.

### BLAKE.

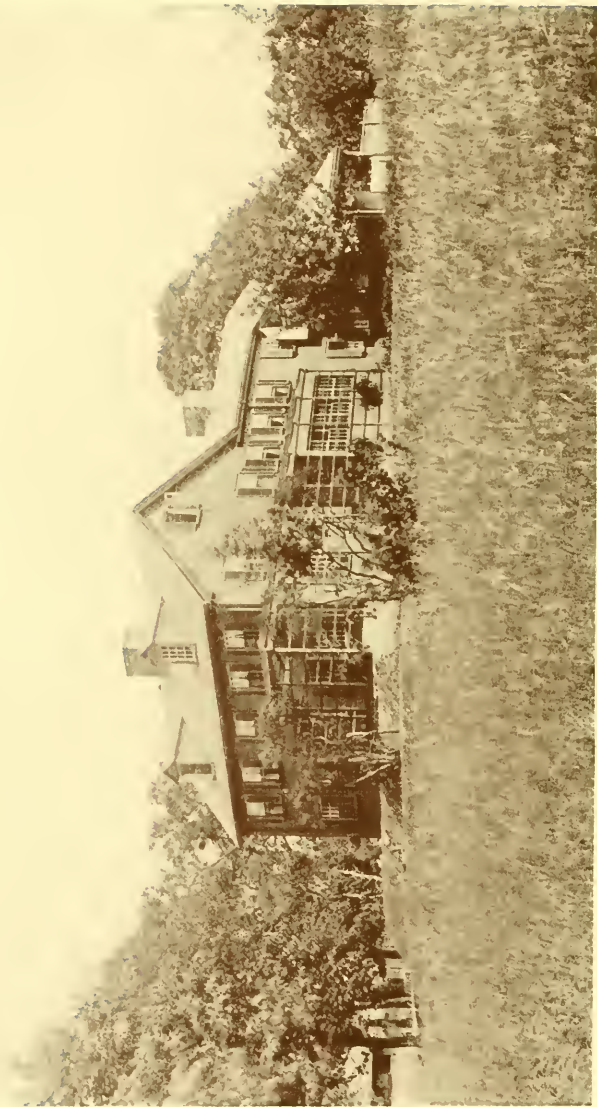
1. Seth<sup>1</sup> Blake, b. 1777, m. June 15, 1803, Sarah, dau. Lieut.  
 Lemuel and Rebecca (Chickering) Richards, b. 1784, d. 1836,  
 m. 2ndly, 1837, Mary Ann Brooks of Medfield. He d. in 1866.  
 Children:

(2) Ebenezer, b. July 9, 1805.  
 Seth, b. Sept. 18, 1807, d. 1821.  
 Lucy, b. 1813, d. 1816.  
 William, b. —, lived in Boston.  
 Lucy, b. 1819, d. 1821.



*Residence Henry B. Brainard*





*Residence Francis W. Sargent, Jr. Ebenezer Newell settlement, 1738*



- (3) Edward, b. Feb. 20, 1818.  
 Sarah, b. June 22, 1822, m. 1840, Joseph L. Rogers of Natick.  
 Seth, b. Dec. 1, 1824, res. Franklin.  
 James, b. May 18, 1827, d. 1865.  
 Walter H. B., b. July 27, 1838, res. Jamaica Plain.  
 Mary A. B., b. June 30, 1839, d. Dec. 18, 1842.  
 John M., b. July 7, 1842, d. 1850.  
 Anna, b. July 29, 1844, m. Alfred G. Whitton, Needham.  
 Frank D., b. Nov. 10, 1847, m. Jennie Brigham, of Needham.

2. Ebenezer<sup>2</sup> (Seth<sup>1</sup>), b. July 9, 1805, m. Mar. 2, 1829, Roxana Whitney of Dedham. He lived in Sherborn, Newton Lower Falls and Brookline. Went to California in "49" and has not been traced beyond that time. Children:

Rebecca R., b. Feb. 13, 1831.  
 Joseph, b. Nov. 7, 1832.

3. Edward<sup>2</sup> (Seth<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 20, 1818, m. Apr. 25, 1841, Hannah S., dau. James and Betsey (Shedd) Bowers. He lived on Willow street in the house now occupied by Mrs. Davidson, was a harness maker by trade and for many years did a large business in Natick. Children:

George E., b. May 19, 1842.  
 John B., b. Jan. 18, 1844.  
 Hannah C., b. May 21, 1853.  
 John B., b. Oct. 13, 1855.  
 Elmira E., b. July 19, 1858.  
 Bessie E., b. Nov. 8, 1864.

## BLISS.

1. Linus<sup>9</sup> Bliss (Alpheus<sup>8</sup>, Elijah<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, John<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), son of Alpheus and Sally (Hull) Bliss, was born in Suffield, Conn., Jan. 7, 1822. He was descended in the ninth generation from Thomas Bliss of Belstone Parish, Devonshire, England, who was persecuted by the civil and religious authorities for being a Puritan. His son Thomas left England on account of religious persecutions. In the autumn of 1635 he embarked with his family for America. Upon his ar-

rival at Boston he located for a time at Braintree, from which place he afterwards removed to Hartford, Conn., in which State many of his descendants have lived. Linus Bliss was a nailer and came to Dover to follow his trade. He m. May 5, 1844, Martha, dau. of Alexander and Hannah (Draper) Soule, b. Apr. 2, 1826, d. November, 1903. She m. 2ndly July 19, 1877, Moses W. Blanchard of Old Orchard, Maine. He d. Oct. 17, 1872. After his marriage he lived for a time in Needham and then moved to Taunton. In 1848 he returned to Dover.

Mr. Bliss was a man of great activity and much interested in public affairs. He was a good business man and acquired considerable real estate in Dover. He originally settled on the farm of the late Robert S. Minot on Farm street, and commenced there the manufacture of cigars in connection with his farm. He soon moved to what was latter called "Bliss' Corner," at the junction of Springvale avenue, Farm and Main streets. He moved his cigar factory to this spot and improved the other buildings, which once occupied the area now forming Springdale park, consisting of a cigar factory, two dwelling houses, store and two stables, all of which were burned during a series of years. Just previous to his death Mr. Bliss was preparing to again move his business, this time to the centre of the town, where he had taken steps to develop a large tract of land, having made various purchases for this purpose. It was his design to build a large cigar factory and tenements to accommodate those in his employ. These plans were frustrated by his untimely death. A century ago cigars were cheap and sold for \$2 a thousand, while the same number of cheroots sold for half that price. Children:

- (2) Alpheus A., b. Feb. 7, 1845.  
Charles L., b. Feb. 12, 1847, res. Marlboro.  
Martha L., b. Nov. 22, 1849, m. June, 1871, James Howard.
- (3) George E., b. Jan. 7, 1851.  
Benjamin B., b. Apr. 3, 1853, m. Lucy Buzzel, d. in Marlboro.  
Hannah J., b. May 15, 1855, m. Aug. 1870, Byron Horne.  
Mary E., b. Apr. 3, 1858, m. July 10, 1875, Leon Hartwell.

2. Alpheus<sup>10</sup> A. (Linus<sup>9</sup>, Alpheus<sup>8</sup>, Elijah<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, John<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 7, 1845, m. Feb. 18, 1871, Bertha, dau. Peter and Anna (Elliott) Hamell, Pictou, N. S., b. Mar. 25, 1845. She m. 2ndly Jan. 30, 1879, Jonathan Whiting. Mr. Bliss died Jan. 17, 1877. He was an engineer, also a cigar maker in his father's factory and after it was burned continued to work in his brother's shop. He lived in a house which stood on the area now included in Springdale park. Children:

Charles E., b. Jan. 7, 1872, res. Marlboro.  
Arthur, b. Dec. 21, 1873.

3. George<sup>10</sup> (Linus<sup>9</sup>, Alpheus<sup>8</sup>, Elijah<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, John<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 7, 1851, m. Apr. 15, 1871, Elizabeth T., dau. George W. and Charlotte O. (Lamphier) Shaw, b. June 2, 1852. He died Jan. 10, 1897. After his father's death Mr. Bliss continued the manufacture of cigars in Dover for some years, but finally gave up the business and moved to Natick. His Dover house stood on land now included in Springdale park. He was elected in 1896 to the Natick board of selectmen, having received the largest vote ever cast for a candidate for that office in the town. On the organization of the board he was made the chairman and died in office in 1897. Children:

Linus, b. Sept. 28, 1872, in Binghamton, N. Y.  
Hattie S., b. Aug. 17, 1874.

### BOND.

Richard<sup>9</sup> Henry Bond (John Snow<sup>8</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>7</sup>, Richard<sup>6</sup>, Richard<sup>5</sup>, Benjamin<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>), b. in Worcester Apr. 12, 1867, m. Feb. 28, 1894, Lillian M. E., dau. Ephraim and Mary B. (Soule) Wilson, b. Jan. 18, 1872. Mr. Bond is descended in the ninth generation from William Bond of Watertown, from whom are descended most of the family

of this name in New England. William Bond was a son of Thomas and Elizabeth Bond of Bury St., Edmunds, Suffolk County, England, where he was baptized in the Church of St. James, Sept. 8, 1625. He was a grandson of Jonas Bond of Bury St. Edmunds, who died there in 1601. William Bond probably came to New England in 1630 in the fleet with Winthrop, accompanying his aunt, Mrs. Elizabeth, wife of Ephraim Child. Mr. Bond was often a representative in the Colonial days and was prominent in the councils of safety during the insurrection against Andros. He was the first speaker of the House under the new charter. He was a man of great energy and force. Richard Henry Bond is a graduate of the Massachusetts Agricultural College and a prominent citizen. He has been chairman for many years of the Dover school committee. Children:

Esther Flora, b. Jan. 19, 1895, a senior in Boston University.  
Herbert Richard, b. Jan. 18, 1898, student in Amherst College.  
Edwin Ephraim, b. Mar. 3, 1904.  
Richard Henry, b. Dec. 11, 1907.  
Ruth Lillian, b. July 9, 1911.

### BOWERS.

James<sup>2</sup> Bowers (James<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 26, 1780, m. Betsey, dau. Willard and — (Larkins) Shedd, b. Nov. 15, 1785, d. Oct. 4, 1875. He d. Jan. 16, 1857. Mr. Bowers was born in Pepperell and settled in Dover about 1829. He was a farmer and owned the Ralph Day place at the foot of Strawberry hill street. He added to farming the trade of the cooper and at one time did quite an extensive business. It is an interesting fact that Dover farmers actually sold corn at the corn market located near Faneuil Hall, with tons of hay at the hay market and thousands of cords of wood at the wood stand in the vicinity which was the center of trade a century ago. The coopers made staves and the farmers hoops for the West India trade. After the establishment of trade with these Islands their products were called West

India goods, a name used during the last century for what we call groceries today. Children:

James B., b. Mar. 19, 1803, d. Dec. 7, 1842.

Sherman, b. Apr. 2, 1806, m. Almira Pettingell, res. Needham.

John, b. Apr. 26, 1808, d. in Oregon about 1873.

Eliza, b. June 30, 1813, m. Roswell Parish.

Walter, b. Mar. 2, 1820, m. Mary N. Colton, res. Needham.

### BRETT.

Uriah Brett, b. 1795, m. Oct. 5, 1820, Polly, dau. William Pitt and Keziah (Mason) Allen, b. Mar. 14, 1802. He was a carpenter by trade and lived in Dover for a time. He possessed some musical talent and was a teacher of singing schools in this and surrounding towns. He moved to Medfield, where he died, 1836. Mrs. Brett m. 2ndly, Dea. Capen, Canton. Child:

William A., b. Aug. 1, 1821, settled in Pawtucket.

### BROWN.

1. John<sup>1</sup> Brown, b. Dec. 15, 1758, m. 1783 Maria Turner of Dedham, b. Dec. 25, 1758, d. May 6, 1815; m. 2ndly April 20, 1817, Betsey, dau. Josiah and Lucy (Richards) Battelle, b. Jan. 29, 1782, d. June, 1850. He died October 16, 1839. Mr. Brown was brought up in the family of Seth Mason, by whom he was adopted when a small boy. He is said to have been born of French parents by the name of Riviere, both of whom died on the voyage to America. The captain of the vessel gave his own name to the boy and placed him in the care of Mrs. Seth Mason, who supplied him with eggs, vegetables and provisions. As the captain never returned to claim the boy it was supposed that his ship was lost. Mrs. Mason illustrated a custom which prevailed for many years of women going to market. They went to Boston on horseback with eggs, butter, cheese and other produce, which were placed in large bags and slung over the horse's back.

They not only had regular customers, but sold much produce to ship captains who were stocking up for voyages. John Brown was the life of the neighborhood and never tired of cracking his practical jokes. He was a very bright and active man. In his home the neighbors met and entered most heartily into the social life of the times; they gathered around the blazing fire, for there were no stoves in those days, and told stories without restraint and joked until the oak timbers re-echoed their laughter. The choicest apples were brought from the cellar and passed, with the cider mug, for every family was given to hospitality. When the tall clock in the corner announced the hour of nine o'clock the guests departed for their own homes, blessed in the joy of human fellowship, which is not dependent upon what is called society for its real fulfilment.

John Brown was a good business man, and for his time, acquired what was considered a good property, but later in life lost it in business ventures. He built the house on the Dorr farm and in deviating from the common custom of building showed good judgment. While some of the older wooden houses were simple and charming, we have gone on for the most part building as in the days when our fathers lived in primitive civilization, cutting the wood which covered their fields, and so building their dwellings of hewn logs, sawed timber and split shingles. Mr. Brown went so far as to build the ends of his house of brick, an example which has been seldom followed. The cost of building between brick and wood is entirely in the increased expense of the exterior walls, but this is soon made up in the saving in paint, insurance and other expenses. Examples of this kind are worthy of emulation, as brick is well adapted to country residences and can be made in Dover. Children:

John, b. Jan. 26, 1785, m. 1814, Cynthia Fuller, Brighton.

Sarah, b. Oct. 21, 1787, m. Joseph Smith, Concord.

Michael, b. June 12, 1791.

(2) Mason, b. Nov. 30, 1794.

Betsey, b. Apr. 4, 1797, m. 1818, Roger S. Battle.

Rebecca, b. July 27, 1798, m. Joshua Ayres.

Lucy Richards, b. Apr. 8, 1818, m. 1839, Alonzo Howe.





*Stage Coach, the only public conveyance before 1861*



*Logging, an early winter occupation*

2. Mason<sup>2</sup> (John<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 30, 1794, m. May 28, 1818, Kezia, dau. Samuel and Olive (Rice) Perry, b. 1798, d. Nov. 12, 1838, m. 2ndly, 1840, Sarah, dau. Jesse and Mehitable (Allen) Newell, b. Jan. 9, 1810, d. Apr. 7, 1843. He d. Aug. 25, 1859. Mason Brown is remembered as one who always entered into the spirit of the times. The general muster day and artillery election were of permanent interest to boys as they got a holiday which was employed in hunting, fishing or attending the military exercises.

The occasion furnished the opportunity of getting a dinner away from home; bakers' wagons furnished an abundance of sweet food, which was greatly enjoyed by the boys. Mr. Brown was a good farmer and added greatly to the productiveness of his farm by the careful selection of seeds and by varying his crops. The choicest ears of corn were saved for planting, the best onion sets were put aside, the seeds of the largest and finest melons and squashes, the best potatoes and seeds of the earliest garden vegetables were always saved for planting, all of which added greatly to the annual yield. Successful farming was based upon an experience equal to the best professional training of today. Children:

Eliza M., b. Feb. 12, 1827.

(3) John M., b. Oct. 9, 1828.

Helen L., d. Mar. 29, 1843.

3. John<sup>3</sup> M. (Mason<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 9, 1828, m. 1849, Adeline C., dau. Leonard and Pamela (Cutter) Gay, b. Oct. 7, 1831. He d. Sept 12, 1862. Children:

Linda W., b. Aug. 24, 1850, m. Dec. 31, 1872, George D. Newell.

Ada F., b. May 10, 1855, res. Huntington, Long Island.

Emma E., b. 1862, m. Feb. 2, 1879, Quincy Sylvester, res. Providence.

## BULLARD

1. John<sup>3</sup> Bullard (Joseph<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. 1670, m. 1701, Abigail, dau. Joseph and Experience (Wheelock) Warren, b. 1774. He seems to have had that part of the estate which lies in Dover

and to have settled on the Bradbury farm on County street. In 1739 he sold his farm to his son, Josiah, and probably moved away. The Bullards were represented in the first Dedham settlement, and were numerous among the early residents of the Springfield Parish. John, Jonathan and Nathaniel were assessed a poll tax here in 1732.

They were descended from John Bullard, who was one of the original signers of the Dedham Compact. He was in Watertown in 1636 and took the freeman's oath in Dedham in 1640, and later joined the Medfield enterprise, settling in that town in 1651 or 52. His son Joseph, whose house was burned by the Indians in King Philip's War, purchased in 1695 a tract of land near the point where the towns of Medfield, Dover and Walpole come together, and settled there. Children:

- Mary, b. Apr. 3, 1702, m. Nov. 18, 1728, Daniel Harris, Plainfield.
- (2) Jonathan, b. June 13, 1703.
- Abigail, b. Feb. 25, 1704-5, m. Mr. Spaulding.
- Experience, b. Feb. 28, 1707-8, m. Ephraim, Wheelock, Medfield.
- Elizabeth, b. 1710, m. Oct. 7, 1735, Ebenezer Newell, Needham.
- Josiah, b. June 9, 1711.
- Benjamin, b. Mar. 24, 1713.

Nathaniel<sup>3</sup> (Joseph<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. 1677, m. Mary. He succeeded to the homestead on County street which his widow sold in 1753. Children:

- May, b. Aug. 6, 1716.
- Martha, b. Mar. 9, 1719.
- Nathaniel, b. May 22, 1722.
- Hannah, b. June 5, 1729, m. Wm. Barnes, Sherborn.

2. Jonathan<sup>4</sup> (John<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. June 13, 1703, m. Mar. 29, 1748, Anna Perkins. He was a petitioner for the organization of the First Parish in 1748. He sold his farm in 1762 and moved from town. His house was located north of the homestead on County street. The buildings were probably old, as the farm seems to have been abandoned after a sale in 1762.

This farm may have been the original Bullard settlement in Dover. Children:

Josiah, b. Jan. 14, 1748-9.

Asa, b. Nov. 28, 1751.

Anna, b. June 9, 1757.

### BULLEN.

1. Amaziah<sup>5</sup> Bullen (Elisha<sup>4</sup>, Elisha<sup>3</sup>, Elisha<sup>2</sup>, Samuel<sup>1</sup>), b. 1754, m. 1776, Rachel, dau. John and Mary (Barders) Lawrence of Wrentham, b. Sept. 22, 1756. He d. 1828. Elisha Bullen of Medfield purchased for his son Amaziah the Moses Mason place on Farm street now owned by Charles F. Lyman. Amaziah Bullen sold the farm in 1797 and moved to Needham. He was descended from Samuel Bullen, who was in Watertown in 1638 and one of the signers of the Dedham Compact. He was admitted a freeman in 1641. He settled in Medfield prior to 1651 and his tombstone declares that he was the first European with a family to settle in that town. Children:

Joseph, b. 1777.

Mary, b. 1779.

Lydia, b. 1782.

Thaddeus, b. Mar. 1, 1785.

Elisha, b. Mar. 7, 1786.

Rachel, b. Oct. 18, 1787.

Ichabod, b. Jan. 1, 1790.

Amaziah, b. Sept. 1, 1792.

Caroline, b. Sept. 9, 1794.

2. Bela<sup>5</sup> (Ichabod<sup>4</sup>, Elisha<sup>3</sup>, Elisha<sup>2</sup>, Samuel<sup>1</sup>), b. 1762, m. 1783, Elizabeth, dau. Moses and Elizabeth (Smith) Hartshorn. He lived in Medfield previous to 1791, in which year he went into business in Dover with Reuben Newell; he had an interest in the tavern property and is recorded as a merchant; in 1796 he removed to Roxbury. Children:

Sarah, b. 1785, m. Ruggles Whiting.

Elizabeth, b. 1787, m. in 1809, Alexander Peters.

Samuel, b. 1789.

Prudence, b. 1792.



## BURRAGE

1. Thomas<sup>7</sup> (John<sup>6</sup>, William<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>), son of John and Sarah (Smith) Burrage, was b. in Newton, 1731. m. Jan. 6, 1768, Abigail, dau. John and Dorcas (Adams) Fisher, b. 1737, d. Nov. 1, 1805. He d. in 1799, having dropped dead while working on the highway. The spot is marked by the stone slab on top of the hill west of Fisher's brook on Farm street. Mr. Burrage settled in 1765 on that part of Fred B. Rice's estate on Farm street which originally went with the "cottage." He was a weaver by trade. The Burrage family is descended from Robert of Seething, Norfolk, England, who died there in 1559. His great grandson, John Burrage, came to America. He first appears in Charlestown in 1637. With Francis Hudson he became an owner of the ferry between Boston and Charlestown, which they operated for many years. The Dover family is descended from the branch which settled in Newton. Children:

(2) John, b. Aug. 23, 1769.

(3) Obed, b. July 25, 1772.

Abigail, b. Jan. 19, 1775. m. May 14, 1796, Jabez Baker.

Keziah, b. 1778. m. Aug. 22, 1798, Edward Simmons, Watertown.

Anna, b. 1780. m. Nov. 26, 1801, Lewis Smith.

2. John<sup>8</sup>, (Thomas<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, William<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 23, 1769, m. July 12, 1792, Abigail, dau. Jacob and Lydia Pratt of Sherborn, d. Apr. 23, 1851. Mr. Burrage was a captain in the militia and a member of the board of selectmen. He was a carpenter by trade and lived on the Josiah Hammond place on Center street. In the quiet life of a rural community, an occasion of great interest was a "raising," which occurred as often as a *new* house, barn or meeting-house was built. There was in those days no putting up of the frame, stick by stick, and nailing each in place as now. Extensive preparations were made for building; great trees were felled and squared for sill and post, plate and ridgepole, even the rafters were hewn, and all timbers were of a size in excess of the



strength required for the structure. At the raising the timbers were put together in sections, as all connections were made with mortise and tenons and secured by wooden pins. At the appointed time the men formed in line along the heavy framework, and at the command of the "boss carpenter" the massive frame rose until the posts dropped into the mortises, long boards called "stay laths" were quickly nailed to hold the sections in place. The second section was then raised and so on, until every stick found its appropriate place. At the raising of the second meeting-house in Dover in 1810 Mr. Burrage fell from the building and sustained injuries from which he never fully recovered. In the olden time farmers worked unceasingly during the "busy season" and paid but little attention to their neighbors or what was going on in town. One Monday morning John Burrage started out with his fish pole in hand to go fishing. As he did not return on Tuesday an alarm was given, the meeting-house bell was rung, and the people turned out in force to search the woods and drag the river for his body. The neighbors condoled with Mrs. Burrage and pitied her "poor little fatherless children." When Saturday night came round, Mr. Burrage returned home, having found work at haying during the week on the farm of Draper Smith in the west part of the town. Children:

Sylvia, b. Jan. 9, 1794, m. Nov. 11, 1824, Richard Kenrick.  
 Roxanna, b. Apr. 8, 1796, m. Apr. 28, 1822, Ebenezer Ricker,  
 Dedham.

John Lowell, b. Feb. 13, 1798, d. Sept. 29, 1802.

Ann, b. Dec. 21, 1800, m. July 20, 1823, Jabez Baker, Jr.

Caroline, b. May 6, 1804, m. May 7, 1827, Calvin Barden.

(4) John, b. July 12, 1806, d. Nov. 1894.

3. Obed<sup>8</sup> (Thomas<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, William<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>), b. July 25, 1772, m. June 13, 1799, Julia, dau. Jonathan and Mary (Leland) Leland of Sherborn. Moved to Templeton about 1810 and died in Shrewsbury. Children:

Julia L., b. Feb. 3, 1802, m. Apr. 2, 1829, Jonathan Nichols, Shrewsbury.

Betsey, b. —, m. Nov. 27, 1833, Jason Lamb, Templeton.  
 Lowell T., b. Oct. 2, 1804, m. Dec. 24, 1829, Adeline Davis, Templeton.

4. John<sup>9</sup> (John<sup>8</sup>, Thomas<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, William<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>), b. July 12, 1806, m. Nov. 1829, Nancy Poor, dau. David and Rebecca (Richards) Dana, d. January 1879. Mr. Burrage was a carriage maker and followed his trade for fifty years. After leaving Dover he lived in Quincy, Braintree, Groton and South Boston. He was an original anti-slavery man and voted the "Free Soil" ticket, when there was only one other man in the town in which he lived that voted with him. Children:

Caroline Ann, b. Aug. 12, 1831.

John Dana, b. Sept. 19, 1833, d. Aug. 16, 1834.

Hamilton, b. June 6, 1835, m. Mary H. Davis, res. Lowell.

John Francis, b. Jan. 11, 1838.

Ellen Roxanna, b. Jan. 1, 1840.

George William, b. Apr. 19, 1842, d. Aug. 13, 1844.

(5) George Dana, b. Oct. 12, 1845.

5. George<sup>10</sup> Dana (John<sup>9</sup>, John<sup>8</sup>, Thomas<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, William<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 12, 1845, m. Oct. 12, 1870, Mary Hall, dau. Elijah F. and Elizabeth (Bail) Palmer. She d. Mar. 6, 1875, m. 2ndly, May 29th, 1878, Clara G., dau. Charles Henry and J. Elizabeth (Stannis) Johnson. Mr. Burrage returned to the home of his ancestors in 1894, having inherited the Jabez Baker farm on Dedham street, but subsequently moved to Newtonville. Children:

Bessie Palmer, b. Oct. 6, 1871.

Archie Hamilton, b. Mar. 16, 1873.

Mary Hall, b. Feb. 20, 1875.

Paul Johnson, b. June 3, 1884.

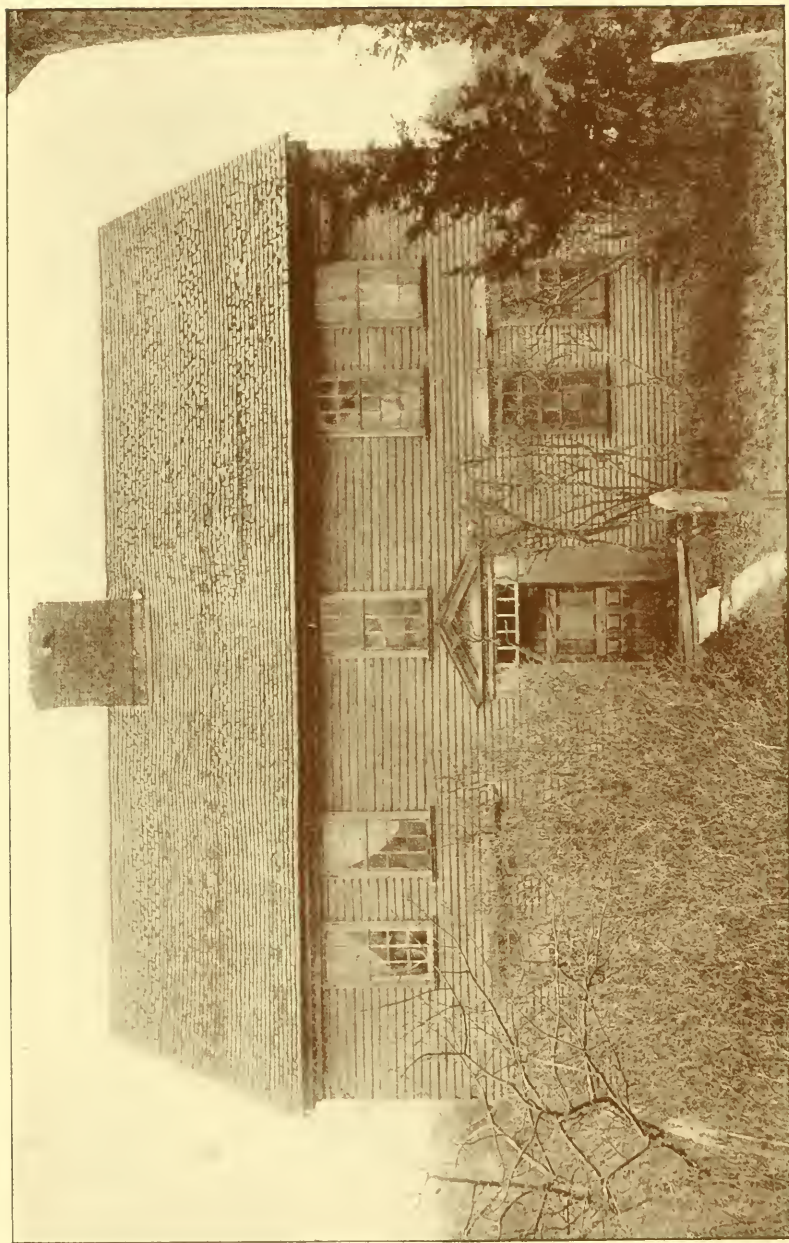
John Dana, b. Apr. 23, 1888.

### CAMPBELL.

Rufus<sup>2</sup> Campbell (John<sup>1</sup>) was born in Belgrade, Maine, Oct. 30, 1817, m. Dec. 4, 1844, Lucretia, dau. James and Clarissa (Wight) Mann, b. Feb. 15, 1819. Mr. Campbell was of Scotch



*Residence James McGill — David Cleveland House, 1750*



*The Rev. Benjamin Caryl Parsonage, built in 1777*



descent, his great grandfather having emigrated to America. Mr. Campbell was for many years a respected citizen of Dover and built the house on Main street owned by the late Asa Bean. After many years' residence here he moved to South Natick. Child:

Clara A., b. Sept. 28, 1845. m. A. R. Cook, South Natick.

### CARPENTER.

Stukely Carpenter of Dedham, m. Jan. 1, 1826, Mary B., dau. Amaziah and Rachel (Lawrence) Bullen. He lived for a time in Dover, where several of his children were born. Children:

Lucy A., b. Sept. 21, 1832.

Lemira, b. Aug. 20, 1835, d. Dec. 24, 1835.

### CARYL.

1. Benjamin<sup>3</sup> Caryl (Benjamin<sup>2</sup>, Benjamin<sup>1</sup>) was born in Hopkinton in 1732, m. Dec. 9, 1762, Mrs. Sarah Kolloch, dau. of Rev. Henry and Ester (Cheever) Messenger of Wrentham, b. Nov. 27, 1725, d. 1806. He d. Nov. 14, 1811. Mr. Caryl was the first minister of the Springfield Parish. He was born in Hopkinton and graduated from Harvard in 1761. He accepted a call to the First Parish, Sept. 5, 1762, and was ordained Nov. 10 of the same year. He was for forty-nine years pastor of the church, but during the last two years of his life was unable to perform any ministerial services. He did not build on the land which was donated for a parsonage (the Parish wood lot on Walpole street), but occupied after his marriage the farm formerly owned by Eleazer Ellis, Jr., which he afterwards purchased. In 1777 he built the "Old Parsonage," a fine specimen of colonial architecture which is still standing on Dedham street. At the time of Mr. Caryl's settlement, the inhabitants of the Parish were all engaged in farming. He bought his own farm and engaged with his parishioners in agricultural pursuits. Mr.

Caryl added to the work of the ministry and farming the preparation of boys for college. He was perfectly familiar with the ways of life of his people, and enabled to sympathize with them in all the affairs of their daily life. He was the equal of his parishioners in all things, owning his own dwelling-house, farm, and horse and chaise, and as a minister he was considered as vastly their superior. His house was furnished with many elegant pieces of furniture, which if brought together today would be of great value and rare interest. Clergymen of the period cultivated a generous hospitality and freely entertained visitors who were journeying from town to town with horse and chaise. In their ministerial hospitality they gave the best they had freely and without stint. The Rev. Martin Cheney, who was reared in Mr. Caryl's Parish, and settled in Rhode Island, thus refers to the custom at a later period: "I remember that when I had reduced my rent by half, paying but \$20 per year, that a minister from Boston called upon me and tarried over night. He was dressed fashionably, but such a lodging place as he had I cannot describe. A garret of the poorest kind and as poorly furnished." Mr. Cheney adds: "It was the best I had and I thought it good enough for him and I hoped it might do him good for I fear he was a ministerial dandy." Mr. Caryl was contemporary with the Rev. Stephen Badger of South Natick. Mrs. Stowe's description of the latter in *Oldtown Folks* gives us some slight idea of the Rev. Mr. Caryl, as it is known that his ways and customs of life entered into Mrs. Stowe's realistic picture of the minister of that time. The young men whom he fitted for college grew up grave and decorous through the influence of the church, catechism and college, all acting in one line, and in due time many studious and quiet youths stepped in regular succession, from the college to the theological course and thence to the ministry, as their natural and appointed work. They received the articles of faith as taught in their catechism without dispute and took their places calmly and without opposition to assist in carrying on a society, where everything had been arranged to go



under their direction. In those days the New England minister and his wife were considered the temporal and spiritual superiors of everybody in the parish. Parson Lothrop in Mrs. Stowe's *Oldtown Folks* was calmly awful in his sense of his own position and authority, it would have been a sight worth seeing to witness any of his parish coming to him as deacons and influential parishioners nowadays feel at liberty to come, to their ministers with suggestions and admonitions. His manner was very gracious and affable, as of a man who habitually surveyed everyone from above, and is supposed to listen with indulgent courtesy, and keep his advice in reserve for all seekers; but there was not the slightest shadow of anything which encouraged the most presuming to offer council in return. The clergy in those days felt that they never preached temperance with so warm a fervor as between the comfortable sips of a beverage of whose temperate use they intended to be shining examples. In the little theocracy which the Pilgrims established in the wilderness the minister was the only order of nobility. There are no records showing Mr. Caryl's position or work in the interest of the Revolution, but it is believed that he was exceedingly patriotic, as few people manifested greater patriotism than the inhabitants of the Springfield Parish, during the great struggle for liberty. The Parish erected a gravestone to his memory which stands near the central entrance to the cemetery. Children:

Benjamin, b. Dec. 6, 1764, d. Sept. 12, 1775.

(2) George, b. Apr. 1, 1767.

2. George<sup>4</sup> (Benjamin<sup>3</sup>, Benjamin<sup>2</sup>, Benjamin<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 1, 1767, m. Nov. 11, 1790, Pamela, dau. of Dr. Nathaniel Martyn of Uxbridge, d. Jan. 17, 1855. He d. Aug. 9, 1822. Dr. Caryl graduated from Harvard in 1788. He studied medicine with Dr. Samuel Willard of Uxbridge and commenced the practice of medicine in Dover in 1790, "at a time when every sickly child was cured with motherwort and tansey, which grew by the roadside and suited all complaints. It was administered by each

mother in the town." Dr. Caryl was in Boston for a time, but it is presumed that he studied there rather than practiced medicine. He was a successful physician and had an extensive practice in this and adjoining towns. Dr. Caryl represented the school of medicine of that day, and his remedies consisted largely of ipecac, calomel, salts and senna, castor oil and sulphur and molasses. He practiced cupping and bleeding (which was a fearful thing to go through) and in obstetrics used the hot plaster. Children:

Benjamin, b. Oct. 4, 1791, d. Oct. 5, 1791.

Pamelia, b. Oct. 31, 1792, d. June 20, 1797.

Benjamin, b. Mar. 9, 1795, d. Apr. 13, 1796.

Sarah, b. Jan. 28, 1797, d. July 14, 1870.

George M., b. Feb. 20, 1799, d. Sept. 24, 1815.

Pamelia, b. Dec. 29, 1800, m. Sept. 12, 1824, L. S. Maring. New Jersey.

Ann, b. Oct. 22, 1802, m. Sept. 6, 1821, Aaron F. Miller.

Nathaniel, b. Aug. 1, 1805, d. Aug. 2, 1805.

Joseph, b. July 13, 1803, d. Apr. 15, 1882.

### CHANNING.

Walter<sup>7</sup> Channing Jr. (Walter<sup>6</sup>, — William<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup> John<sup>1</sup>), son of Dr. Walter and Ann K. (Morse) Channing, was born in Jamaica Plain, April 28, 1879, m. July 10, 1907, Cornelia P., dau, Charles and Augusta (Mitchell) Higbee, b. May 22, 1875. Mr. Channing is engaged as a real estate and insurance broker in Boston. Children:

Walter, 3rd, b. April 16, 1908.

Charles Emlin, b. Feb. 15, 1910.

### CHENEY.

1. John<sup>4</sup> Cheney (John<sup>3</sup>, Daniel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. in Newton, Jan. 10, 1704, m. Apr. 24, 1729, Lydia, dau. William and Sarah Budge. He d. Jan. 19, 1789. The Dover members of this family are descended from both William of Roxbury and John of Newbury. William lived in Roxbury previous to 1640, but the exact time of his settlement has not been determined. John was in

Roxbury in 1635, but moved to Newbury the following year as recorded by the Apostle Eliot. John Cheney was a farmer and one of the petitioners for the organization of the First Parish. He lived on the Skimmings place on Main street, which he sold to Jesse Knapp in 1762, and moved from town. The first mention of the building of a road in the Springfield Parish was made in the vote of the Parish in 1762, "to pay Hezekiah Allen his charge for building a road from the burying place past the meeting-house to the house of John Cheney." Children:

Lydia, b. Dec. 14, 1731, m. May 14, 1766, Thomas Draper.

(2) John, b.—

2. John (John<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, Daniel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. about 1733, m. 1st Mar. 12, 1766, Ruth, dau. John and Ruth Hill of Sherborn, m. 2ndly Nov. 25, 1772, Martha Taft of Sutton. He died in Sutton in 1773. Children:

Rhoda, b. Mar. 13, 1767.

Ruth, b. Mar. 15, 1770.

3. James<sup>4</sup> (Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Daniel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. in Newton May 1, 1716, m. Jan. 10, 1740, Sybil, dau. Ebenezer and Lydia Littlefield, b. Nov. 1, 1714. She died May 19, 1743. He m. 2ndly May 31, 1745, Elizabeth Toser, d. June 20, 1802.

He was for many years a prominent man in Newton; was a deacon in the First Church. He was greatly respected and held many positions of trust and honor. He lived on the Thomas Coughlan farm on Walpole street, which he purchased in 1757. As far as known this was the first farm advertised for sale in the Springfield Parish. The following advertisement appeared after Mr. Cheney's death in 1767: "To be sold for cash or short credit 30 or 35 or 40 acres of choice land, consisting of pasture, mowing and tillage lying in Springfield, Dedham, near the meeting-house. Inquire of Joseph Cheney of Newton or Elizabeth Cheney living on the Premises." Children:

Sarah, b. June 13, 1741, m. Isaac Jackson.

Lydia, b. Jan. 15, 1743, m. Nov. 22, 1766, Timothy Merrifield.

Jonathan, b. Mar. 25, 1746, d. Nov. 7, 1754.

- Sybil, b. Aug. 30, 1747, m. Mar. 12, 1766, John Reed.  
 James\*, b. June 28, 1749, d. 1793.  
 Elizabeth, b. June 27, 1751, m. Nov. 14, 1775, Oliver Kendrick.  
 Esther, b. July 10, 1753, m. Feb. 5, 1777, Elias Stinson.
- (4) John, b. Apr. 6, 1755.  
 Olive, b. Jan. 31, 1757, m. Aug. 5, 1775, Thomas Morse.
- (5) Joseph, b. 1761.  
 Abigail, b. —, d. before 1766.  
 Hannah, b. —, m. 1783, John Buckmaster.

4. John<sup>5</sup> (James<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Daniel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. in Newton Apr. 6, 1755, m. Nov. 26, 1789, Hannah, dau. John and Hannah (Dike) Adams. He lived on the homestead, but moved to New Salem in 1800. Children:

- John, b. Nov. 9, 1790.  
 Olive, b. July 18, 1792, d. May 28, 1857.  
 Hannah, b. May 2, 1794, m. John Wade, West Roxbury.  
 Fanny, b. July 22, 1796, m. John Frost, Dedham.  
 Junia, b. Sept. 2, 1798.  
 Artemus, b. July 21, 1800.

5. Joseph<sup>5</sup> (James<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Daniel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. 1761, m. 1782, Susannah Wadsworth of Maine. He died in 1834. He owned the farm on Pine street occupied by the late George McKenzie. There were six children, three sons and three daughters, but the names of only four are recorded. Joseph Cheney moved from Dover and at one time lived at Newport, N. H. Martin was the fourth of the six children and settled in Rhode Island. He became a prominent minister of the Freewill Baptist denomination. He was ordained at Johnston, Rhode Island, April 28, 1825, and soon commenced to preach in halls at Olneyville and North Providence. He drew around him men of talent, influence and position, including Dr. Messer, President of Brown University, who explained his attendance upon his preaching by saying that he always carried away from that humble spot (the hall in which the services were held) most profitable instruction. Mr. Cheney created so much interest in religion that in less than two years the congregation at Olneyville erected a large house of public worship which was dedicated in 1827. Mr. Cheney became pastor of this church, which position he held for thirty



*George D. Hall's House. Josiah Ellis settlement, 1728*

*From "Remodeled Farmhouses" by Mary H. Northend*





*Ox Team, once found on every Dover farm*



years, or until his death. He was an extemporaneous speaker and his strength lay in his originality. His entire public school education was gained in the Sanger School before he was sixteen years of age. He was bright and cheerful and full of fun. In his youth it is said that practical jesters not unfrequently made him the centre of their circle and became the convulsed spectators of his comic drollery and the victims of his mischievous but not malicious fun. Mr. Cheney was much interested in education, temperance, the anti-slavery cause, peace and moral government. He was a great worker and his talents were in constant demand. He reported in 1845 that during the year he had delivered 310 public addresses. At the time of his death his church expressed the hope that the principles of freedom which he advocated will triumph that all, like him, shall believe in free soil, free men, free speech, free trade, free will, free communion and free salvation.

The society at Olneyville erected in their church a slab in the form of a shield which bears the following inscription:—

Elder  
Martin Cheney—  
Born in Dover, Mass., Aug. 29, 1792,  
Ordained to preach  
April 28, 1825.  
Was installed pastor over the  
First Free Will Baptist Church and society  
in Olneyville,  
at their organization  
November 7, 1828,  
and continued such until his death  
January 4, 1852.

His last words were, "I have a hope that endureth unto the end."

A friend writes of him: He had the light and glow of an uncommon intellectual ability. Self-educated he indeed was and

yet he was an intellectual giant. No one ever came in contact with him without finding a demand for his mightiest energies. Mr. Cheney left an autobiographical sketch of his life, from which the following extracts are taken illustrating his boyhood life in Dover and youthful experiences elsewhere.

In my researches I have never found a charge of dishonesty against one of my ancestors or connections. To the best of my knowledge, the coat of arms of my ancestors was Poverty-Honesty-Piety. From my parents I received religious and moral instruction, and received it early. I was taught to reverence and keep the Sabbath, to attend public worship and from week to week was taught the questions and answers in the assembly catechism of the Westminster Divines. In this manner I learned what was the chief end of man, and the reason I am not a Calvinist is not for want of early instruction in his peculiar sentiments, but from a decided conviction that, as good as Calvin or my parents might be, they had mistaken the will of God on the subject. Among the recollections of my early school days is that of speaking at a public exhibition a piece from the Columbia Orator commencing thus:

You'd scarce expect one of my age  
To speak in public on the stage.

I could not have been much above five years of age and I think I felt something of the spirit of my piece when I uttered the words:

And where's the boy but three feet high  
That's made improvement more than I?

This was my first appearance in public. I have often in my subsequent experiences had occasion to say, "You'd scarce expect, &c.," for I have been called where I never expected to be called, to fill places and discharge duties unexpected to myself and others. The desire to know what was contained in books became so strong as to induce me to lay hold upon nearly every

volume that came in my way, and nearly the whole of quite a respectable village library was laid under my contribution to meet the demands of my eager spirit. When some of my school-mates left to prepare for college I much wanted to go, too, but my father was poor and so I was obliged to see them leave with regret. When eleven years of age Mr. Cheney came very near losing his life by means of a fever sore. He gives the following account of a surgical operation: "The doctor retired to the fields where he remained nearly an hour, when he returned, called for pen and ink, and made a mark on the thigh, where he was going to cut. My mother and sister left the room, all the family, I think, except my father. The other surgeon said I must be held. To my surprise and that of all present, Dr. Miller said: 'No, he will bear it, I know he will,' and such was the confidence and courage he inspired in me that I did endure it without a groan." He resided for a time with a brother in Boston, who kept a grocery store with several appendages of cider, beer and whiskey. He says, "Many gills, pints and quarts have I drawn for the customers of the liquid fire."

His father put him to a trade, in the family of a deacon of a Presbyterian Church, where he stayed two weeks. "Our clothes," he says, "must all be of such a make, we apprentices had a table by ourselves and the provisions were of an inferior quality." Later he engaged himself as an apprentice at the business of making nails. He answered an advertisement for a boy in a Boston paper. "A bundle of clothes prepared by a mother's love was swung over my shoulder and I started for the city, recommended only by my appearance and my 'awkwardness' which was probably accepted as an index to honesty." In 1810 he accepted a position with his brother at Olneyville, R. I. I had come from Massachusetts, where the law laid its hand on religious observances. There if a man labored on the Sabbath, or went on a journey for pleasure, he might expect to be visited by a minister of law. In Rhode Island there was much of the free, generous, independent spirit of Roger Williams among the peo-

ple. He worked for and boarded in the family of his brother, who was a vender of meat. "Oh, how terrible in its influence upon me was the want of an attractive home, where I might spend my evenings. Oh, could my voice be heard by parents and guardians, I would say earnestly, strongly, make home attractive to your children, spare no pains to accomplish this. Let not the shops, tavern, stables and street educate your children. I have had a sad experience in this species of instruction. In 1815 he went with his older brother to New York and took up the grocery business and mackerel fishing." We were unsuccessful in both. Finding no way to pay my rent I removed into a hut or hovel not much larger than an Indian wigwam, a little above Hoboken. There with my wife and child and youngest brother I spent the winter of 1816-17. And such a winter! It was the winter following what was called the cold summer when the crops were so extensively destroyed by the frost. Thirty thousand were supplied with soup, daily in the city of New York that winter, hundreds were flocking into the country offering to work for their food. The farmers refused to employ them on account of the scarcity of provisions. And there we were, wife, child, brother and myself, without food, without work, among strangers, a cold winter upon us, and strangers in the land. We had fresh meat once during the winter. We lived on potatoes while we could get them, then on turnips to save what little bread we could get for the child. It was a winter long to be remembered. I then thought if I could get bread for myself and family I would never again complain. Children:

Joseph, b. —, was in Providence, 1817.

Martin, b. Aug. 29, 1792, d. in Olneyville, Jan. 4, 1852.

Polly, b. Apr. 2, 1796, m. Ira Richards, Dedham.

Lucy, b. Nov. 9, 1800, m. Dec. 29, 1825, Jonathan M. Wilmarth.

6. Samuel<sup>4</sup> (Josiah<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 22, 1729-30, m. 1766 Olive, dau. Seth and Sarah (Pratt) Wight, b. Aug. 21, 1743, d. Sept. 6, 1804. He d. Nov. 11, 1797. Mr. Cheney was a native of Medfield. He purchased in 1766 a ninety-five acre

farm of the widow of Josiah Ellis, in the southerly part of Dover, now owned by Geo. D. Hall. Children:

- (7) Simon, b. Mar. 25, 1767.  
     Sarah, b. Feb. 11, 1769, d. Nov. —, 1777.  
     Samuel, b. Oct. 27, 1772, d. Feb. 29, 1776.  
     Luther, b. June 2, 1775, d. Nov. 6, 1800, in Philadelphia.
- (8) Samuel, b. Jan. 30, 1777.  
     Calvin, b. 1779.  
     Olive, b. Jan. 1, 1781, d. Aug. 26, 1800.

7. Simon<sup>5</sup> (Samuel<sup>4</sup>, Josiah<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 25, 1767, m. Apr. 18, 1805, Nabby, dau. Seth and Mary (Wight) Wight of Medfield, b. 1783; he was a prominent citizen, served the town on important committees, and was a selectman for six years. He d. 1825. Children:

- Samuel, b. Feb. 15, 1806.
- Luther, b. July 25, 1809.
- Amanda, b. Apr. 7, 1812, d. Oct. 16, 1856.
- Olive, b. Dec. 23, 1814, m. Mar. 23, 1835, Henry French, Montpelier, Vt.
- Simon, b. Sept. 23, 1820.
- George C., bpt. June 22, 1823.

8. Calvin<sup>5</sup> (Samuel<sup>4</sup>, Josiah<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>), b. 1779, m. 1805 Olive, dau. Nathaniel and Sarah Holbrook. He later moved to Sherborn; three of his children were probably born in Dover. Children:

- Olive, m. Apr. 5, 1824, Daniel Brewer.
- Anna H., m. Aug. 31, 1826, Adam Morse, Jr.
- Calvin, b. —.
- Nathaniel H., b. Apr. 1, 1815.

9 Benjamin<sup>8</sup> Pierce (Jesse<sup>7</sup>, Elias<sup>6</sup>, Tristram<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, Peter<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 12, 1815, m. June 6, 1865, Elizabeth Stickney, dau. Asahel and Elizabeth Searle (Whiting) Clapp, b. Aug. 23, 1839. He died July 23, 1895.

During the last fifteen years of his life Mr. Cheney was a resident of Dover. He purchased the estate for so many years

owned by Col. John Jones, which he made with his family his summer home. Mr. Cheney was born in Hillsboro, N. H., and received a brief common school education. At the age of ten he worked in his father's blacksmith shop; at twelve he was employed in a store in Francistown, and at sixteen he was a driver of a New Hampshire stagecoach. Mr. Cheney was a pioneer in the express business of this country, and in the early 30's started out for himself as express agent for the stage line which left the Wilde House in Boston, the favorite inn of New Hampshire and Vermont people. Cheney's express soon had all the business of the Granite state. With the building of the Worcester and Nashua railroad and the Fitchburg railroad with connections to Burlington the firm name became Cheney, Fiske & Co.; later the business was known as the United States and Canada Express Company. About 1880 this net work of express lines covering Vermont and New Hampshire was consolidated into the American Express Company, of which Mr. Cheney was the largest owner. Through his interests in the carrying business of the country, and his judicious investments, he became one of the wealthiest men in New England. He was a man of high character and the strictest integrity. He was interested in the development of the West and had a large interest in the Atchison system, and at one time in the Northern Pacific, as well as in the Wells, Fargo Express Company. In the last years of his life Mr. Cheney devoted much of his time to the development of his estate, which is one of the most beautiful in New England. He was much interested in horticulture and was a member of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society. In 1886 Mr. Cheney presented his native State with a bronze statue of Daniel Webster which stands in the park in front of the State House. The statue was executed by Thomas Ball, at Florence, and is nobly conceived. Webster was often a passenger of his and took a great liking to him. When Mr. Cheney went into the express business for himself, Mr. Webster wrote out and presented to him a copy of the laws of the State relating to Common Carriers. He



had a great fondness for his native State and Dartmouth College was greatly helped through his munificence. Children:

Benjamin Pierce, Jr., b. Apr. 8, 1866, m. 1898, Julia Arthur.

Alice Steele, b. Aug. 27, 1867, m. Wm. Hewson Baltzell.

Charles Paine, b. Dec. 20, 1869, d. 1897 at Colorado Springs.

Mary, b. Nov. 3, 1871, m. Dec. 10, 1900, Arthur S. Davis.

Elizabeth, b. Dec. 4, 1874, m. Carl F. Kaufmann.

### CHICKERING.

I. Nathaniel<sup>4</sup> Chickering (Simon<sup>3</sup>, Henry<sup>2</sup>, Stephen<sup>1</sup>), b. 1647, m. Dec. 30, 1668, Sarah, dau. Samuel and Mary Judson, m. 2ndly "3 of ye 10 mo." 1674, Lydia, dau. of Capt. Daniel and Abigail (Marriot) Fisher, b. July 14, 1652, d. July 17, 1737. He died Oct. 21, 1694.

It is always interesting to trace, generation after generation, the descendants of any old family. It has been said that there are more New Englanders in some of the Western States than in New England itself. So it is true that there are more families dwelling on ancestral acres in New England than in old England. Mrs. Alice Morse Earl says: In my genealogical research in England, I have not found cases of long continued residence of the same family nearly as common as in New England. Surprise and even annoyance is shown in England, at your expectation and hope of finding descendants of the original owners occupying farm homes two hundred years old. The Chickering homestead on Haven street has been occupied by lineal descendants of Nathaniel Chickering for more than two centuries and is still in the name. Some years ago a member of the family caused records in England to be searched and the family was traced to Stephen Chickering, who died at Wicklewood, Norfolk, in 1576. His son Henry lived in Kingsfield and his grandson Simon at Wrentham, where his son Nathaniel, the emigrant, was born†. Nathaniel Chickering first settled on Dedham Island, on the farm which was later known as the Fuller place. His second wife, Lydia Fisher, went, previous to her

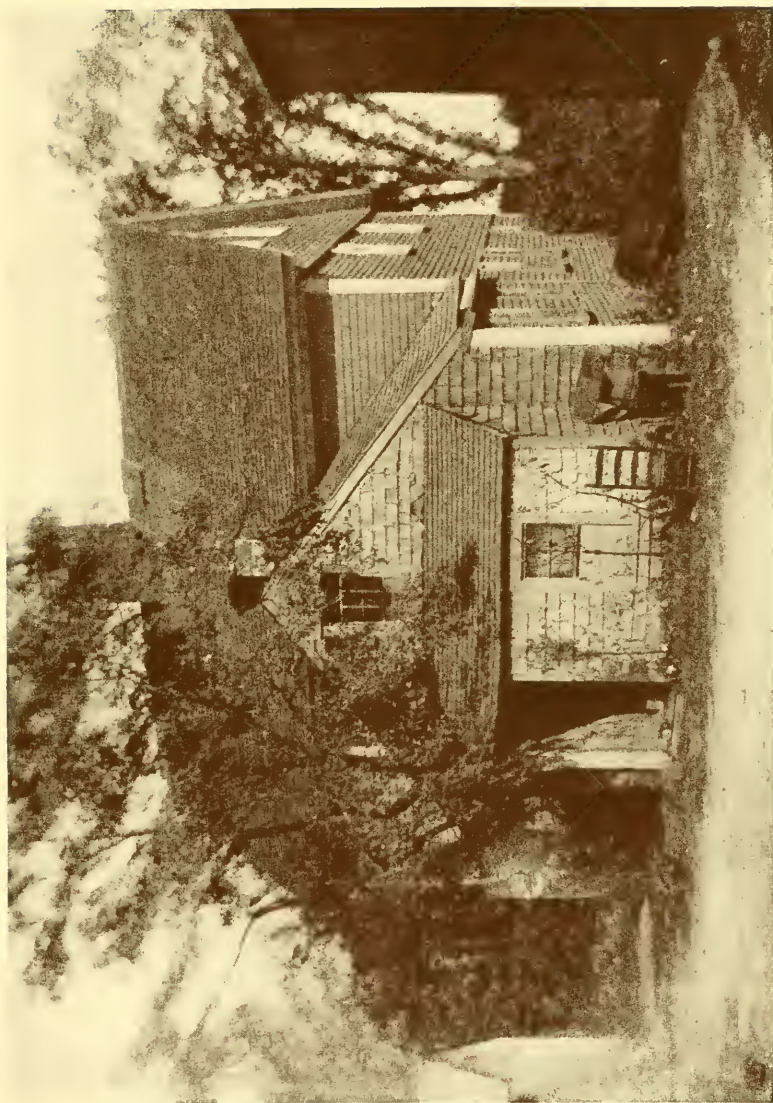
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†See article by the writer in the Dedham Historical Register, July 18, 1892.

marriage, into the family of Rev. John Russell at Hadley, where for a year or more she waited upon the Regicides, Whalley and Goff, who fled to this country to escape the wrath of Charles II. Previous to 1690 Mr. Chickering commenced to clear land in that part of Dedham, which is now Dover. He built a house on the site of the present homestead on Haven street, now occupied by his lineal descendant, George Ellis Chickering. The first house was taken down in 1767 and a new one erected on the spot, which was remodeled in 1867, and is still standing. Nathaniel Chickering died suddenly in 1694 soon after completing his house, which it is said he never occupied with his family. His widow and children lived here, with the exception of John, who remained on Dedham Island. Children:

- Prudence, b. Sept. 9, 1675, d. Nov. 26, 1675.
- (2) Nathaniel, b. Mar. 28, 1677, m. Mary Thorp.  
 Lydia, b. Dec. 1, 1678, m. Thomas Metcalf.  
 Mary, b. Dec. 15, 1680, m. Nathan Aldis.  
 John, b. Nov. 22, 1682, d. Jan. 16, 1713-4.  
 Abigail, b. Mar. 29, 1684-5, d. 1749.  
 Daniel, b. July 1, 1687, d. Feb. 10, 1717-8.
- (3) Samuel, b. Feb. 14, 1689, m. Mary Harding, Medfield.  
 Esther, b. May 7, 1694, m. Ebenezer Ware.

2. Nathaniel<sup>5</sup> (Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, Simon<sup>3</sup>, Henry<sup>2</sup>, Stephen<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 28, 1677, m. Aug. 14, 1700, Mary, dau. of James and Hannah (Newcomb) Thorp, b. Jan. 23, 1677; she d. Sept. 1, 1715, m. 2ndly, July 26, 1716, Deborah, dau. of Joseph and Deborah (Colburn) Wight, b. Aug. 6, 1684, d. Jan. 16, 1749. He d. Jan. 16, 1746-7. Before the organization of the Church in Dover, the Chickering family worshipped at South Natick, and Nathaniel was a deacon in the Church. He was a selectman of Dedham in 1733. His son, Eliphalet, had a fifty-five acre farm, which included Allen F. Smith's place and a part of Eben Higgin's farm with adjoining land. There is no record of his marriage or death. He sold half of his farm in 1758 and soon after disappeared from the parish. Nathaniel Chickering inherited the homestead and was directed to pay his seven brothers and sisters



*Nathaniel Chickering House. Estate settled in 1781*



*The Joseph Chickering House built, 1747*



fourteen pounds, seven shillings and two pence half-penny each. Children:

Nathaniel, b. Apr. 15, 1701, settled in Wrentham.

Mary, b. Feb. 25, 1703.

Jeremiah, b. May 20, 1705.

Eliphalet, b. Nov. 24, 1707.

David, b. Mar. 24, 1710.

Hannah, b. Aug. 9, 1712, m. Mr. Richardson.

Mary, b. Aug. 9, 1712.

(4) John, b. Aug. 23, 1715, m. Mary ———.

(5) Joseph, b. May 5, 1717, m. Rebecca Newell.

(6) Daniel, b. Dec. 30, 1718, m. Kezia Ellis, Medfield.

Deborah, b. Apr. 9, 1722.

Lydia, b. Sept. 12, 1723.

3. Samuel<sup>5</sup> (Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, Simon<sup>3</sup>, Henry<sup>2</sup>, Stephen<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 14, 1689, m. 1720, Mary, dau. of Henry and Mary (Allen) Harding of Medfield, b. May 12, 1701; d. July 9, 1778. He d. in 1778. Mr. Chickering was the original settler on the Powisset farm and one of the thirty-four persons who petitioned the General Court in April, 1748, to make the Springfield precinct a parish, and to be freed from the ministerial rate in other places, that they might build a meeting-house of their own and settle a minister. This request was granted and it led to the organization of the First Parish in 1749. He was a cordwainer by trade, a schoolmaster and farmer. The house of Samuel Chickering is somewhere spoken of as near "Rattlesnake Rock." Rattlesnakes were numerous in the rocky woods west of Hartford street, in fact they were plentiful at one time in the whole vicinity. Rattlesnake oil was used by the early inhabitants as a cure for rheumatism and sprains. The oil is very penetrating and snakes were hunted for the oil which they yielded. Children:

Samuel, b. Mar. 19, 1721, d. Apr. 10, 1721.

Samuel, b. Mar. 18, 1722.

Mary, b. Apr. 23, 1724, m. Aug. 14, 1751, Samuel Fisher.

Abigail, b. Nov. 1, 1726, d. Feb. 1727.

Henry, b. July 30, 1728, d. Aug. 3, 1728.

Sarah, b. Aug. 9, 1732, d. Oct. 28, 1732.

Desire, b. Aug. 27, 1734, d. Nov. 3, 1734.

4. John<sup>6</sup> (Nathaniel<sup>5</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, Simon<sup>3</sup>, Henry<sup>2</sup>, Stephen<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 23, 1715, m. Mary —; m. 2ndly, Jan. 9, 1766, Mrs. Elizabeth Gay of Dedham. He marched at the Lexington Alarm, Apr. 19, 1775. Children:

(7) John, b. Aug. 21, 1744, m. Lois Marsh of Medfield.

Samuel, b. Sept. 28, 1745, d. May 12, 1746.

Abigail, b. Nov. 25, 1747.

Timothy, b. Mar. 10, 1750.

Samuel, b. May 24, 1755.

Molly, b. Sept. 20, 1758.

†Oliver, m. 1772, Tabitha Hooker; children, Oliver and Obed, b. Aug. 20, 1772. Moved to Rutland.

Abner, b. Oct. 5, 1765-6, m. Eunice Dakin, Apr. 19, 1791, m. secondly, Lydia Stratton, settled in Mason, N. H. His son, Jonas, was the original manufacturer of the celebrated Chickering piano, which has made the name known in two hemispheres.

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†Oliver Chickering served in the Revolution from Dedham and after moving to Rutland did guard duty, where many British soldiers were held as prisoners of war for many months. That part of Rutland where the Chickering's lived was known for many years as Chickeringville and was located not far from the old barracks.

5. Joseph<sup>6</sup> (Nathaniel<sup>5</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, Simon<sup>3</sup>, Henry<sup>2</sup>, Stephen<sup>1</sup>), b. May 5, 1717, m. Feb. 7, 1743-4, Rebecca, dau. Josiah and Hannah (Fisher) Newell (she m. 2ndly Mar. 2, 1757, Dea. Joseph Haven), d. Nov. 28, 1754. He had a farm from the original estate, which in later years was known as the Haven place. His house is still standing, and is said to have been built in 1747. His son, Joseph, belonged to the Dover Company of Minute Men and marched at the Lexington Alarm; his grandson, Jabez, was the second minister of the Norwood Congregational Church. He was one of the first young men from the Springfield Parish to go to college. He graduated from Harvard in 1774 and studied theology with the Rev. Benjamin Caryl. Children:

Experience, b. Nov. 10, 1744, d. Sept. 29, 1746.

Rebecca, b. Aug. 4, 1746, m. June 14, 1764, Lemuel Richards.

Joseph b. Sept. 10, 1748, d. Dec. 4, 1754.

Deborah, b. June 3, 1751, d. Dec. 3, 1754.

Jabez, b. Nov. 4, 1753, m. Hannah, dau. Rev. Thomas Balch, Dedham.



6. Daniel<sup>6</sup> (Nathaniel<sup>5</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, Simon<sup>3</sup>, Henry<sup>2</sup>, Stephen<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 30, 1718; m. in 1745, Kezia, dau. of Thomas and Elizabeth (Morse) Ellis of Medfield, b. in 1726, d. Oct. 12, 1793. He d. Apr. 11, 1790. At this time, when so much is being said about the conservation of foodstuffs, it is of interest to note how our grandmothers dried, in the most primitive way, the perishable summer fruits and vegetables which today are too often allowed to go to waste. Commencing with the blueberry they dried the succession of berries as they came along, followed in the early fall by the apple, peach, squash, pumpkin, and pole bean, all of which greatly extended the foodstuffs of every family long before the processes of canning was known. Children:

- Elizabeth, b. Oct. 14, 1746, d. Sept. 23, 1778.  
 Kezia, b. Apr. 27, 1748, m. Oct. 14, 1772, Joseph Morse, Natick.  
 (8) Nathaniel, b. Mar. 24, 1730, m. Esther Dewing.  
 Lydia, b. in 1752, m. Feb. 25, 1777, James Mann, Jr.  
 Joseph, b. Feb. 4, 1755, d. Jan. 3, 1812.  
 Daniel, b. Aug. 20, 1758, was a student in physics in Wilmington, in 1784.  
 (9) Simon, b. July, 1761, d. Aug. 20, 1778.  
 Jesse, b. Sept. 22, 1763, m. Dorcas Smith, Medfield.

7. John<sup>7</sup> (John<sup>6</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>5</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, Simon<sup>3</sup>, Henry<sup>2</sup>, Stephen<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 21, 1744, m. July 2, 1767, Lois, dau. John and Lydia (Smith) Marsh of Medfield. He settled the farm owned by the late Patrick Slavin on Farm street, but later lived on Strawberry hill. Marched at the Lexington Alarm. Children:

- Thaddeus, b. Nov. 4, 1767.  
 (10) David, b. May 3, 1769, m. Sarah Plympton, Medfield.  
 (11) John, b. Mar. 25, 1771, m. Abigail Wilson, Dover.  
 Louise, b. Jan. 29, 1773.  
 James, b. Oct. 5, 1774.  
 Rebecca, b. Apr. 18, 1777.  
 Bettie, b. July 30, 1779.  
 (12) Hartshorn, b. May 22, 1780, m. Mary Smith, Medfield.  
 Shubal, b. Jan. 3, 1782.  
 Alpheus, b. Oct. 1, 1783.  
 Shimia, b. July 10, 1785.

8. Nathaniel<sup>7</sup> (Daniel<sup>6</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>5</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, Simon<sup>3</sup>, Henry<sup>2</sup>, Stephen<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 29, 1750; m. Sept. 17, 1781, Esther, dau. of Andrew and Esther (Richardson) Dewing, b. Jan. 25, 1762; d. Jan. 27, 1845. He d. Feb. 5, 1837. Nathaniel took his farm from the southerly part of the Chickering estate and built his house, which is now standing on the original site, just back of the house occupied by the late Mrs. Ziolkowski on Walpole street. Like most of the early houses it had only one living room. The cellar was reached through a trap door, still to be seen, and the loft where the children slept was reached by a ladder. When Mr. Chickering furnished his house, all the furniture, it is said, was ordered from England, and much of it is still in existence. At a later period much furniture was made from timber cut on Dover farms. Cabinet makers went from house to house and bureaus and chests of drawers were often built in the bed rooms where they stood for many years. In some instances the dimensions exceeded those of the doors and windows and families in moving had to leave old pieces of furniture behind or have them taken to pieces by a cabinet maker. Mr. Chickering was a civil engineer and was one of the early town treasurers, the office containing for many years in the family. He served at the Battle of Lexington and at Ticonderoga in 1776. Children:

- Simeon, b. Mar. 23, 1782, d. Apr. 2, 1790.
- Nathaniel, b. May 23, 1784, m. Fannie Nelson, res. Enfield.
- (13) Daniel, b. Aug. 13, 1787, m. Caroline Clark.
- Polly, b. May 26, 1789; d. Nov. 2, 1789.
- (14) Leonard, b. Nov. 2, 1790; m. Roxa Capen, Dedham.
- Simeon b. Sept. 26, 1792 d. Oct. 9, 1800.
- Joseph, b. Sept. 18, 1794, d. Oct. 25, 1800.
- Otis, b. Oct. 16, 1796, d. Oct. 16, 1800.
- Lucy, b. Jan. 13, 1799, d. Oct. 15, 1800.
- Esther, b. May 10, 1801, d. July 18, 1819.
- Almira, b. Apr.; 7, 1806, m. Oct. 26, 1825, Samuel B. Scott of Woburn.

9. Jesse<sup>7</sup> (Daniel<sup>6</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>5</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, Simon<sup>3</sup>, Henry<sup>2</sup>, Stephen<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 22, 1763; m. Sept. 14, 1791, Dorcas, dau.

John and Jemima (Fales) Smith of Medfield, b. 1759, d. Dec. 24, 1834. He d. 1834. Mr. Chickering occupied the original homestead on Haven street. Children:

- (15) George, b. Dec. 24, 1791, m. Hannah Guild of Walpole.  
Ellis, b. Mar. 14, 1793, d. Jan. 5, 1822.  
Dorcas, b. Mar. 8, 1795; d. July 18, 1825.
- (16) Jesse, b. Aug. 31, 1797, m. Caroline Reaney of Boston.  
Charles, b. Aug. 29, 1799, d. Aug. 5, 1801.

10. David<sup>8</sup> (John<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>5</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, Simon<sup>3</sup>, Henry<sup>2</sup>, Stephen<sup>1</sup>), b. May 3, 1769; m. March 5, 1795, Sarah, dau. of David and Sarah (Wright) Plympton of Medfield, b. 1774, d. 1817, where he lived for several years. Children:

- Polly, b. 179-.
- Charles, b. 1798.
- Joseph, b. July 25, 1801.
- Eliza, b. 1809.

11. John<sup>8</sup> (John<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>5</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, Simon<sup>3</sup>, Henry<sup>2</sup>, Stephen<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 25, 1771, m. Mar. 28, 1799, Abigail, dau. Samuel and Abigail (Richards) Wilson, b. Sept. 12, 1774. He bought the Dea. Joshua Ellis farm on Haven street.

A correspondent in giving some genealogical facts relating to this family contributed the following description of a wedding costume in 1828:

First the hair was done in pin curls. Do you know what pin curls are? The hair was trimmed squarely to the shoulders, a little longer than the modern Dutch cut, then a little tuft was taken and rolled up, not on the fingers, but between them so that it made a little ring close to the head. Through this a pin was thrust and another tuft taken up; when the hair was dry the pins were taken out and the curls dangled in little round rings. Two rows were made, one above the other, and when done numbered about one hundred. The time occupied in doing this work varied from one to two hours. You can thus see that time at this period was not very precious. On her head the bride wore a flat hat, three-fourths of a yard in diameter, made of finely

braided straw and sewed. It was trimmed with white *love* ribbon. The dress was of white nainsook muslin made with short waist and low neck, the neck being filled in with lace. The short sleeves were worn with falling ruffles and long white lace mitts. The skirt contained two breadths with gores between. It fell exactly to the ankle joints and the bottom had three narrow crossgrain ruffles. Openwork stockings, white of course, and plum colored prunella slippers with high heels. Over the shoulders was worn a shawl or mantle like the dress and ruffled. In her hand she carried a muslin handkerchief three-fourths of a yard square, with an inch wide hemstitched border, and a "smelling bottle," in the shape of a long-legged boot. The smelling bottle and handkerchief I remember very well. Every article, except the slippers, was made by the bride's mother, even the mitts. No machines then, you know. I fear our girls of today would be old brides before they could complete such an outfit as this. Children:

Calvin b. Sept. 25, 1799; d. Sept. 29, 1819.  
 Abigail, b. Jan. 20, 1802, m. Manning Thayer of Bellingham.  
 David, b. Jan. 28, 1804, d. in Dover.  
 Mary W., b. Mar. 27, 1805, m. Eliab Wight of Bellingham.  
 William b. Mar. 11, 1807, d. in Dover.  
 Lucy, b. Dec. 1, 1812.  
 John, b. Jan. 30, 1816, d. Dec. 19, 1891.

12. Hartshorn<sup>8</sup> (John<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>5</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, Simon<sup>3</sup>, Henry<sup>2</sup>, Stephen<sup>1</sup>), b. May 22, 1780, m. in 1805 Mary, dau. of Dea. Jonathan and Mercy (Day) Smith of Medfield. Children:

Lois, b. April 6, 1808.  
 Abigail, b. in Medfield, 1810.

13. Daniel<sup>8</sup> (Nathaniel<sup>7</sup>, Daniel<sup>6</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>5</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, Simon<sup>3</sup>, Henry<sup>2</sup>, Stephen<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 13, 1787, m. Nov. 23, 1810, Caroline Clark, b. Mar. 2, 1790, d. Aug. 4, 1817, m. 2ndly Apr. 28, 1819, Orpha, dau. Joseph and Bethsheba (Leonard) Burbank of Medfield, b. Sept. 17, 1799, d. Jan. 17, 1872. She prob-

ably belonged to the Burbank family of Maine or New Hampshire, all of whom are descended from John Burbank, who was made a freeman in Rowley, May 13, 1640. He is believed to be the ancestor of all of the name in New England. He was a deacon in the Dover Evangelical Congregational Church and for a time lived in Medfield. He was an inventive genius and was the inventor of mud shoes; a machine for cutting and heading nails at the same time, and a self-loading and unloading cart. He was prominent in starting the stock company which carried on the "New Mill" at the falls, near Powisset, for the rolling and slitting of Norway iron. He had much to do with its equipment, which for those days was considered the very best. On his return to Dover he took up his residence on his father's farm on Walpole street. He d. Jan. 17, 1872†. Children:

Cyrus Clark, b. in Medfield, Nov. 30, 1812, m. Sarah N. Scott, Aug. 31, 1841, d. Nov. 18, 1865. She was b. Apr. 14, 1818. Residence, New York.

(17) James, b. in Medfield, May 7, 1821, m. Phebe Ann Thompson of Wales.

Caroline Frances, b. Feb. 22, 1826, m. Oct. 13, 1846, Leonard Draper.

Almira S., b. Sept. 3, 1834; d. Sept. 19, 1853.

14. Leonard<sup>7</sup> (Nathaniel<sup>6</sup>, Daniel<sup>5</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, Simon<sup>3</sup> Henry<sup>2</sup>, Stephen<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 2, 1790, m., Jan. 1, 1829, Roxa, dau. of Nathaniel and Submit Capen of Dedham, b. Nov. 19, 1798, d. Mar. 24, 1849. Children:

Otis, b. Oct. 19, 1829, m. Caroline M. Perry, June 6, 1860, res. Catskill, N. Y.

Lucy A., b. Oct. 10, 1833.

Harriet R., b. June 13, 1836, m. June 1, 1863, William Fisher of Norwood.

15. George<sup>8</sup> (Jesse<sup>7</sup>, Daniel<sup>6</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>5</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, Simon<sup>3</sup> Henry<sup>2</sup>, Stephen<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 25, 1791, m. Nov. 30, 1826, Hannah, dau. Samuel and Keturah (Cleveland) Guild of Walpole, b. Sept. 29, 1776, d. May 24, 1881. He d. Sept. 28, 1857. Mr.

†Superintendents of the Sunday School of the Evangelical Congregational Church previous to 1900, Daniel Chickering, John Q. A. Nichols, Ithamar Whiting, George L. Howe.

Chickering was for many years the town treasurer and lived on the original homestead on Haven street. Children:

Dorcas Ann, b. Oct. 29, 1827, m. Nov. 30, 1848, Abiathar Richmond Tuck, of South Natick.

George E., b. Apr. 29, 1830.

Samuel Guild, b. June 13, 1836, m. July, 1889, Mary Eaton, res. Boston.

William H., b. Dec. 19, 1838, d. Feb. 21, 1877.

Hannah E., b. Aug. 19, 1841, d. Feb. 11, 1880.

16. Jesse<sup>8</sup> (Jesse<sup>7</sup>, Daniel<sup>6</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>5</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, Simon<sup>3</sup>, Henry<sup>2</sup>, Stephen<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 31, 1797, m. Nov. 18, 1838, Caroline, dau. William L. and Abigail (Englesby) Reaney of Boston, b. July 6, 1801, d. April 2, 1859. He d. May 29, 1855. Mr. Chickering resided at Jamaica Plain. He was at the time of his death perhaps the most eminent statistician in America. He graduated at Harvard College in the class of 1813, studied theology and became a Unitarian minister, but was never settled over a parish. Later he studied medicine, and received his degree in 1833. After practising his profession in Boston ten years, he gave it up, and devoted himself to gathering statistics. His most elaborate work was on "The Population of Massachusetts from 1765 to 1840," and was published in 1846. In 1848 he published a valuable work on "Immigration in the United States." He was confidential correspondent of Daniel Webster and other leading statesmen. His last work was a very learned article, entitled "Letters Addressed to the President of the United States on Slavery, considered in relation to the constitutional principles of government in Great Britain and in the United States." He was a frequent contributor to American and European magazines. Dr. Chickering was a student in the fullest sense of the term, and carried an enthusiasm into his work that was remarkable. Child:

Carrie E.

17. James<sup>9</sup> (Daniel<sup>8</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>7</sup>, Daniel<sup>6</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>5</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, Simon<sup>3</sup>, Henry<sup>2</sup>, Stephen<sup>1</sup>), b. May 7, 1821, m. May 7,



1844, Phebe Ann, dau. William and Margaret (Nelson) Thompson of Wales, b. Oct. 20, 1823, d. Jan. 26, 1905. He d. Oct. 20, 1875. He lived on the Walpole street homestead. Mr. Chickering was a prominent citizen, a member of the board of selectmen and a deacon in the Evangelical Congregational Church. Children:

Eldora D., b. July 16, 1847, d. Dec. 25, 1863.

Edella D., b. Nov. 17, 1748, m. June 6, 1870, Thomas C. Norton, m. 2ndly May 15, 1888. Allen F. Smith.

(18) Charles Henry, b. Feb. 27, 1851.

18. Charles<sup>10</sup> Henry (James<sup>9</sup>, Daniel<sup>8</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>7</sup>, Daniel<sup>6</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>5</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, Simon<sup>3</sup>, Henry<sup>2</sup>, Stephen<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 27, 1851, m. Feb. 17, 1874, Lucy Maria, dau. Richard and Lucy G. (Aldrich) Henry, b. Dec. 1, 1850, d. Mar. 13, 1880, m. 2ndly Apr. 19, 1883, Lizzie A., dau. Abiathar R. and Dorcas Ann (Chickering) Tuck, b. Nov. 9, 1851. He d. Mar. 7, 1890. Mr. Chickering was a contractor and did much building in Newton. He lived on Haven street. Children:

Alma M., b. Apr. 20, 1877, d. July 4, 1913.

(19) James H., b. Nov. 24, 1878.

George R., b. Jan. 24, 1880, m. Aug. 9, 1911, Amy Henry, res. Uxbridge.

19. James<sup>11</sup> Henry (Charles Henry<sup>10</sup>, James<sup>9</sup>, Daniel<sup>8</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>7</sup>, Daniel<sup>6</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>5</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, Simon<sup>3</sup>, Henry<sup>2</sup>, Stephen<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 24, 1878, m. Jan. 7, 1905, Miriam B., dau. William F. and Eliza T. (Allen) De Meritt. Mr. Chickering has been for many years a member of the board of selectmen. Children:

Antoinette, b. Sept. 10, 1905.

Emily Edella, b. July 25, 1909.

### CLARK.

Jacob<sup>6</sup> Clark (Jacob<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Solomon<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup> Joseph<sup>1</sup>), b. in Medfield, Nov. 4, 1774, m. Nov. 29, 1798, Prudence, dau. Timothy and Prudence (Battelle) Stowe, b. Feb. 27, 1756. He

d. in Dedham Jan. 29, 1837. Mr. Clark engaged with John Williams in the hotel, store and livery business at the old tavern on Dedham street in 1799. After a few years Mr. Williams succeeded to the business, and Mr. Clark moved to Federal hill, Dedham, where he manufactured waterwheels under the firm name of Clark & Holmes. He was a descendant of Joseph Clark, an early resident of Dedham, and one of the thirteen original settlers of Medfield. Children:

Sally Stowe, b. Nov. 21, 1800, d. Oct. 11, 1811.

Prudence, b. Oct. 24, 1802, m. Feb. 5, 1826, Elijah Howe, Dedham.

### CLEVELAND.

1. David<sup>2</sup> Cleveland (George<sup>1</sup>) was descended from Moses Cleveland, who came to America in 1635 and settled in Woburn. He was born in Walpole, May 1, 1744. Mr. Cleveland bought the Richard Bacon farm on Main street. He served in the last French and Indian War, also at the Lexington Alarm. He married May 12, 1773, Rachel, dau. Hezekiah and Jemima (Kingsbury) Allen, b. Feb. 4, 1749-50, d. Mar. 12, 1799, m. 2ndly, Mrs. Kazia (Mason) Allen; she m. 3rdly, Nov. 9, 1826, Maj. Gen. Elijah Crane of Canton. Mr. Cleveland d. Apr. 4, 1820. Children:

Ira, b. Dec. 31, 1773, d. Aug. 28, 1774.

David, b. Sept. 4, 1775, settled in Providence.

Ira, b. Dec. 21, 1777, settled in Hopkinton.

Cyrus, b. Feb. 28, 1780.

(2) George, b. May 12, 1782.

Gad, b. Mar. 16, 1784.

Rachel, b. Feb. 1, 1786, m. Nov. 29, 1815, Elijah Legg, Milford.

Patty, b. Jan. 7, 1789, m. Mar. 20, 1814, Henry Adams, Natick.

Polly, b. Jan. 7, 1789, m. Dec. 3, 1818, Jonathan Jones, Orange.

Hitty, b. Dec. 31, 1794, m. Thatcher Colburn, W. Dedham.

Pamela, b. 1799, m. Jesse Newell.

2. George<sup>3</sup> (David<sup>2</sup>, George<sup>1</sup>), b. May 12, 1782, m. Apr. 7, 1808, Hannah, dau. Jonathan and Mercy (Day) Battle, b. July 6, 1785. Mr. Cleveland was a public-spirited citizen, and when the North School district was organized in 1841 he gave the

land on which the schoolhouse stood. The May election, the last Wednesday in the month, was always remembered as almost every voter took home sheets of "election cake" which was on sale at the tavern or from bakers' carts. Children:

Hannah, b. 1809, d. 1875.

Mary Ann, b. Nov. 5, 1810, d. Jan. 6, 1868.

(3) William, b. Oct. 4, 1812.

Isaac, b. 1814, d. 1815.

3. William<sup>4</sup> (George<sup>3</sup>, David<sup>2</sup>, George<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 12, 1812, m. Sept. 14, 1851. Mrs. Eliza F. Pickett, dau. William B. Fisher, Edgartown. He d. Dec. 30, 1870, at Andover. Child:

George C., res. Toledo, Ohio.

### COBB.

Bailey Cobb, b. Dec., 1794, m. 1822, Clarissa, dau. Thomas and Clarissa (William) Darling, d. Apr., 1884, in Philadelphia. He died Oct., 1877. Mr. Cobb was for a number of years a resident of Dover and owned the Abner L. Smith place on Farm street. He was a respected citizen and a member of the board of selectmen. Of his eight children two of them married as follows:

Caroline S., m. Apr. 10, 1850, William F. Smith, d. May 19, 1861.

Annie Page, b. Aug. 5, 1842, m. May 14, 1863, William F. Smith, d. June 5, 1865.

### COLBURN.

1. Danforth<sup>6</sup> Colburn (Samuel<sup>5</sup>, Samuel<sup>4</sup>, Benjamin<sup>3</sup>, Benjamin<sup>2</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 25, 1771, m. Feb. 2, 1797, Hannah, dau. Eliphalet and Catherine (Colburn) Baker, b. Nov. 21, 1777, m. 2ndly, Aug. 27, 1806, Clarissa Coolidge. Mr. Colburn was descended in the sixth generation from Nathaniel Colburn, who received a grant of land in Dedham, Aug. 11, 1637. His descendants have long been residents of that part of Dedham which is now Westwood. Mr. Colburn was for some years a resident of Dover and had one child born here. Child:

Catherine, b. Nov. 18, 1801.

2. Irving<sup>s</sup> (Joseph<sup>7</sup>, Joseph<sup>6</sup>, Joseph<sup>5</sup>, Joseph<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>1</sup>), b. June 15, 1845, m. Jan. 5, 1876, Emma Elizabeth, dau. Rufus and Lydia (Mann) Battelle, b. July 8, 1840, d. Jan. 4, 1915. Mr. Colburn succeeded to the Rufus Battelle farm at the foot of Pegan hill street. Child:

Martha Emma, b. Feb. 16, 1879.

3. Martin<sup>6</sup> (Samuel<sup>5</sup>, Samuel<sup>4</sup>, Benjamin<sup>3</sup>, Benjamin<sup>2</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 15, 1794, m. Nov. 29, 1819, Charlotte, dau. John and Martha (Fuller) Fuller, b. Oct. 11, 1796, d. Apr. 30, 1872. Children:

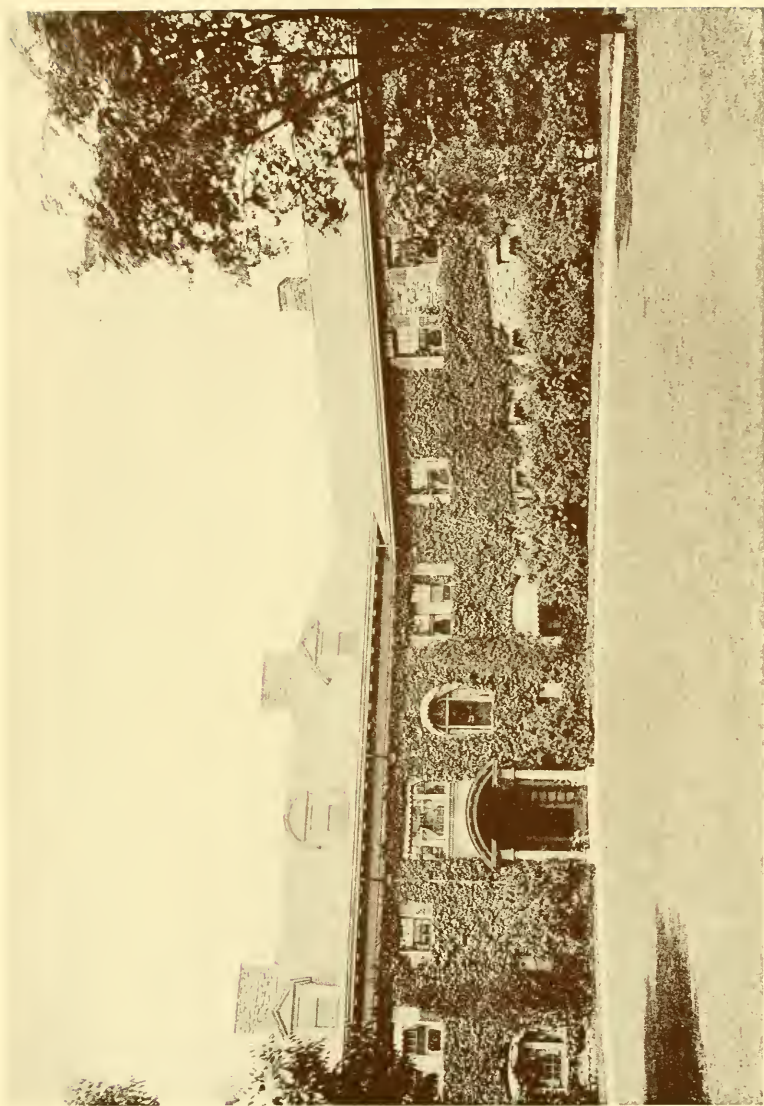
William, m. Cordelia Swift.

Martha, b. Apr. 29, 1823, m. Apr. 3, 1844, Joseph Colburn.

Lowell, b. July 2, 1825, m. June 17, 1852, Eliza D. Soule.

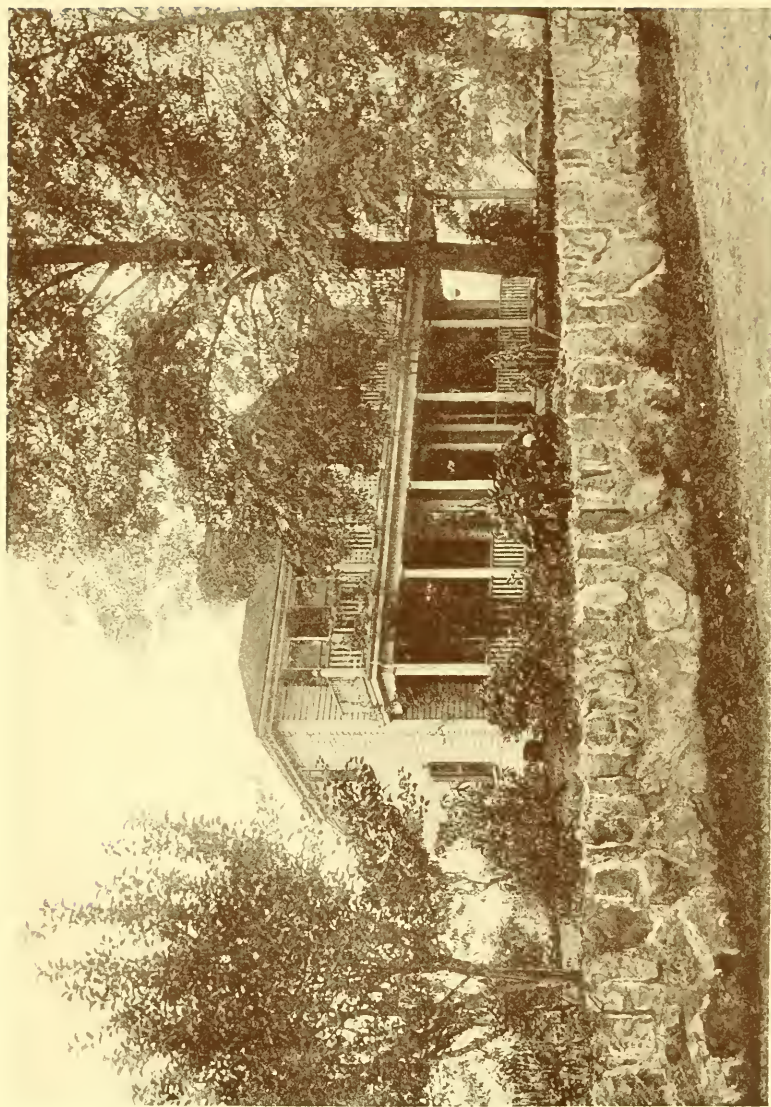
### COOMBS.

John<sup>4</sup> C. Coombs (Stephen<sup>3</sup>, Simeon<sup>2</sup>, Elnathan<sup>1</sup>), son of Stephen and Gertrude Guile (Bartlett) Coombs, was born in Sanbornton, N. H., Jan. 22, 1839. He married Mar. 3, 1867 Isabel Frances, daughter of Luther and Betsey (Mann) Richards, b. Mar. 23, 1837. Mr. Coombs' grandfather, Simeon Coombs, enlisted in the Revolutionary army at eighteen years of age. He was a clergyman of the Baptist denomination and held pastorates in Jamaica, Vt., Middleboro, Mass., Harwich, Mass. and Hyannis, Mass. He also lectured or preached on temperance in all of the thirteen original states except two. On the maternal side, Mr. Coombs' grandfather, Daniel Bartlett, was in the Revolutionary War and his grandmother, Ruth (Guile) Bartlett, was a daughter of Major Ezekiel Guile of the Revolutionary army. Mr. Coombs' father was a clergyman of the Baptist denomination and held pastorates in Springfield, Vt., Lyme, N.H., Sanbornton, N. H., Salisbury, N. H., Harwich, Mass. and Yarmouth, Mass. He was also a missionary for six years to the Mashpee Indians. He died at Concord, N. H. in



*Residence Arthur E. Davis*





*The Day House. Ralph Day settlement, 1706*



his ninety-sixth year. Mr. Coombs served in the Civil War in the 15th N. H. regiment, Co. H., N. H. Volunteers; was mustered in Sept. 5, 1862 and discharged Aug. 13, 1863. He engaged in business as merchant and manufacturer for many years. He lived in Dover for more than twenty years and now lives in Wellesley. His daughters Alice Gertrude and Grace Irving Coombs attended the local school and were graduated from Dana Hall and Wellesley College.

### CROSBY.

Edward Crosby, m. Apr. 3, 1828, Rachel A., dau. Calvin Newell. He was for a time a resident of Dover, being in the employ of Draper Smith, he moved later to Dedham. Child:

Ann, b. Aug. 27, 1830.

### DAVIDSON.

1. George<sup>2</sup> R. Davidson (Samuel<sup>1</sup>), b. Ayershire, Scotland, July 7, 1829, m. Agnes, dau. William and Catherine (Chalmers) Hill, b. Jan. 4, 1839. He died May 9, 1876. Lived on Willow street, where his widow now resides. Children:

Agnes M., b. Apr. 21, 1861.

(2) Alfred M., b. Feb. 20, 1860.

2. Alfred<sup>3</sup> M. (George<sup>2</sup> R., Samuel<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 20, 1860, m. Apr. 6, 1883, Mary E., dau. Timothy W. and Abigail (Jones) Hart, d. Apr. 3, 1886, m. 2ndly Feb. 4, 1888, Mary E., dau. Peter and Sarah (Finnigan) Butler of Hyde Park. He lived in Norfolk and Brownville, Conn. He died Apr. 17, 1892. Children:

Mary Agnes, b. Mar. 29, 1889, m. Mowry K. Cooksan, Needham.

Afreda M., b. Feb. 7, 1891, m. Charles W. Childs, Needham.

### DAY.

1. Ralph<sup>3</sup> Day (Ralph<sup>2</sup>, Ralph<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 29, 1683, m. June 30, 1708, Elizabeth, dau. of John and Elizabeth (Fisher) Ellis, b. 1687, d. July 26, 1715, m. 2ndly Jan. 20, 1716, Martha, dau.

of Jonathan and Mary (Onion) Battelle, b. Mar. 13, 1691, d. May 2, 1745. Mr. Day inherited land from his father's estate and settled on Dedham street at the head of Strawberry hill street in 1708. This family appeared in the earliest records, relating to the Precinct and Parish, and is one of honor and respectability. They are descended from Ralph Day, the emigrant, who was born in England, but where and at what date is unknown. He was admitted a freeman in Dedham January 1, 1645. The bridge across Charles river in the east part of the town was named for this family. All of the Day settlements in Dover were made on the river and extend from the bridge west as far as the farm of Frederic H. Curtiss. Children:

Elizabeth, b. Jan. 27, 1710; m. Jan. 1, 1732, John Herring, Wallingford, Conn.

Mary, b. Feb. 7, 1712, m. Oct. 14, 1747, Ezekiel Richardson, Jr., Needham.

Sarah, b. July 20, 1715, m. Apr. 28, 1736, Josiah Eaton, Needham.

(2) Ralph, b. June 19, 1717.

(3) Jonathan, b. Dec. 22, 1719-20.

Martha b. May 26, 1732, d. Jan. 19, 1733.

2. Ralph<sup>4</sup> (Ralph<sup>3</sup>, Ralph<sup>2</sup>, Ralph<sup>1</sup>), b. June 19, 1717, m. Apr. 26, 1739, Mary, dau. of Eleazer and Mary (Crosby) Ellis of Dedham, b. Apr. 18, 1719, d. June 1, 1761, m. 2ndly, 1762, Mercy, dau. of Henry and Mary (Morse) Leland of Sherborn, and widow of Nathaniel Winship of Holliston, d. of "numb palsy" Mar. 25, 1795.

Mr. Day was a highly respected citizen and prominent during the period of the Revolutionary War, representing Dedham in many important affairs. He was several times elected a member of the Dedham board of selectmen. When the First Parish Church was organized in 1762 Mr. Day was chosen one of the deacons. He served at the Lexington Alarm, Apr. 19, 1775. He lived on the Day homestead on Dedham street. Children:

Martha, b. Sept. 21, 1740, d. Apr. 1, 1763, unmarried.

Ralph, b. Aug. 22, 1742, d. Nov. 14, 1765, unmarried.

- Mary, b. May 20, 1744, m. May 28, 1765, Ithamar Whiting.  
 (4) John, b. June 15, 1763. His father was paid 30 pounds for his doing soldier duty in 1780.  
 Mercy, b. June 2, 1766, m. June 17, 1784, Jonathan Battle.  
 (5) Ralph, b. Nov. 17, 1768.

3. Jonathan<sup>4</sup> (Ralph<sup>3</sup>, Ralph<sup>2</sup>, Ralph<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 22, 1719, m. July 7, 1743, Hannah, dau. of Ebenezer and Abigail (Allen) Battle, of Dedham, b. May 31, 1721, d. Mar. 7, 1775, m. 2ndly, Sept. 1, 1784, Prudence, dau. of Ebenezer and Dorothy (Child) Draper and widow (1) of Capt. Ebenezer Battle, and (2) of Joshua Whiting of Dedham, d. Sept. 4, 1807. He d. at Oxford, Jan. 4, 1802. Mr. Day settled on that part of his father's farm which is now owned by George D. Burrage on Dedham street. He sold his farm in 1779 and went to Oxford. He served at the Lexington Alarm in 1775. Was a selectman in Dedham for several years. Called to Boston, Aug. 30, 1774, to serve as a grand juror, but like other patriots of the time, refused to serve in open court. Children:

Jonathan, b. May 4, 1744, settled in Dudley.  
 Hannah, b. Apr. 30, 1746, m. Aug. 3, 1773, Samuel Dix, Needham.  
 Ebenezer, b. Oct. 12, 1747, settled in Needham.  
 Thomas, b. Jan. 25, 1749, d. Jan. 25, 1749.  
 Sarah, b. Sept. 1, 1751, m. Apr. 25, 1771, John Mayo, Oxford.  
 David, b. Feb. 25, 1753, res. Franklin and Oxford.  
 Rebecca, b. Sept. 7, 1754, m. May 26, 1789, Peleg Corbin, of Thompson, Conn.  
 Olive, b. Aug. 31, 1757, d. young.  
 Jabez, b. June 15, 1759, d. young.

4. John<sup>5</sup> (Ralph<sup>4</sup>, Ralph<sup>3</sup>, Ralph<sup>2</sup>, Ralph<sup>1</sup>), b. June 15, 1763, m. May 12, 1786, Lois Stimson, d. July 18, 1812. He died 1845. He settled on that part of his father's farm on Dedham street which was owned by the late Daniel Richards. After selling his farm he moved to Needham. The reason is sometimes asked why in a farming community so many small pieces of land exist, often walled in and remote from road or leading way. It often happened in the early time, when the ownership

of real property was a prerequisite for voting, that young men becoming of age were given small pieces of land to enable them to qualify as voters. In this way some pieces of wood land, still in possession of descendants, were acquired in this vicinity. Children:

John, b. Dec. 14, 1786, d. 1831, in Conn., unmarried.

Mary, b. Nov. 8, 1789, m. June 8, 1808, Thaddeus Bullen. Needham.

Lucinda, b. Mar. 6, 1793, m. Aaron Smith. Hopkinton.

Hannah, b. —, d. 1831, unmarried.

5. Ralph<sup>5</sup> (Ralph<sup>4</sup>, Ralph<sup>3</sup>, Ralph<sup>2</sup>, Ralph<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 17, 1768, m. Dec. 11, 1792, Sarah, dau. Josiah and Sarah (Wilson) Fisher, of Dedham, b. June 6, 1770, d. Feb. 16, 1815, m. 2ndly, Nov. 28, 1816, Hannah, dau. Abel Wright, of Providence. He died Sept. 27, 1845. Mr. Day lived on the homestead, which he sold, and moved to Cambridge. He was a carpenter by trade. The Hon. Amos Perry of Providence once related his discouragement in measuring his ability with young Day, in the First Parish Sunday School. The class consisted of eight or nine boys, who had for a teacher Ebenezer Newell. It was Mr. Newell's custom to assign passages of scripture to be committed to memory and repeated the following Sunday. The ability of Day to commit a whole chapter of the Bible, and repeat it verbatim, was a marvel to young Perry, who aspired to a college education, but who found it difficult to learn by heart. Mr. Perry illustrated how nature makes up for deficiencies in one direction by giving powers in another. He had the faculty of finding places and directions by written descriptions of them. When visiting Jerusalem for the first time, he was enabled to go anywhere in the city without a guide, as he could locate streets and places from memory of maps and pictures which he had seen. Children:

Sarah, b. Dec. 13, 1793, m. Apr. 24, 1820, Aaron D. Mayo, Roxbury.

Betsy, b. May 1, 1796, m. Apr. 24, 1820, Joseph Converse, Boston.

Josiah F., b. June 19, 1798.

Pamelia, b. Feb. 7, 1800, m. Adolphus B. Converse, Boston.

Ralph, b. Sept. 6, 1801, settled in Cambridge.

## DEAN.

Luke<sup>1</sup> Dean, b. May 29, 1750, m., 1771, Rebecca Russell, who died in 1824. He died Mar. 18, 1825. The crumbling cellar of the homestead of the Dean family can be seen today on the grounds of the Powisset Club Association.\* A single rose bush tells the pathetic tale that this spot, now devoted to pleasure and amusement, was once a happy home where merry children played, and where their parents met the cares and duties and responsibilities of daily life. Here the fire of patriotism burned in a patriot's heart as Luke Dean on more than one occasion served his country in the Revolution. Standing today on the grounds of the Powisset Association, the arch of the firmament above and the groves which were God's first temple around, the stillness broken only by the song of birds, what emotions arise as one mentally contemplates the life of the patriots who dwelt in this vicinity a hundred years ago. Thomas Larrabee, whose Revolutionary service as a member of Washington's Life Guard has been often recalled, lived but a short distance away. Around the fireplace of that crumbling home, now the property of the town, he related his experience at Valley Forge, where, during the long winter he tried as a cobbler to mend the officers' shoes. We can imagine him describing the condition of the American Army in that bleak December weather with only the cold frozen ground to sleep upon, without straw or blankets; three thousand sick, out of an army of thirteen thousand, half clothed and half fed soldiers. Beyond on Strawberry hill lived Jabez Baker, Samuel and Ephraim Wilson, Daniel and David Fuller, Josiah Richards, with seven sons, all of whom took part in the Revolution. Southward were the homes of the Cheneys, Tisdales and Herrings, all of whom were builders of the nation. Around these firesides, as well as in the camp, these patriots must have sung that lyric which was on every tongue in 1776.

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\*Discontinued as a club a few years since.

Hark! hark! the sound of war is heard.  
 And we must all attend;  
 Take up our arms and go with speed  
 Our country to defend.

Truly this is sacred ground,\* and of the many who go in and out how few recall the lives and deeds of these patriots. Children:

Rebecca, b. Nov. 4, 1776, m. May 27, 1802, Artimas Adams.  
 Cate, b. Sept. 1, 1778, m. Abner Atherton, Dedham.  
 Richard b. May 10, 1781, m. Calla Herring, Dedham.  
 Betsey, b. Apr. 6, 1783, m. Abner Atherton (2nd wife).  
 Polly, b. Jan. 16, 1786, m. Simeon Plimpton.  
 Joseph, b. Apr. 14, 1788, d. young.  
 Faxon, b. Sept. 8, 1791, went South and died there.  
 Hannah, b. Feb. 25, 1794, m. 1810, John W. Adams, Medfield.  
 Roxy, b. Mar. 4, 1797.  
 Colburn, b. June 23, 1799, m. Temperance Blake. He d. in Framingham in 1864.  
 John C., b. Mar. 13, 1801, believed to have died young.

2. Joseph<sup>4</sup> (Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>) was descended from John Dean, who with his wife, Sarah, appeared in Dedham in 1676. He m. Dec. 11, 1734, Hannah, dau. John and Sarah (Whiting) Baker, b. Jan. 10, 1713-14. Children:

Joseph, b. July 17, 1735.  
 Caroline, b. Mar. 19, 1737.  
 Luke, b. May 29, 1750.

## DERBY.

1. Martin<sup>6</sup> Derby (Martin<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Jonathan<sup>2</sup>, Edward<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 13, 1826, m. Oct. 8, 1851, Ann F., dau. Rufus and Lydia (Mann) Battelle, b. Aug. 4, 1830. This family is descended from Edward Derby, who was in Taunton in 1701.

Mr. Derby came to Dover from Weymouth in 1849; he worked at his trade, that of a boot maker, and for a year was

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\*Often called Dunklin hole.



in business with his cousin, Abner L. Derby. He returned with his family to Weymouth in 1855. Children:

Isabelle F., b. July 31, 1852, m. 1874, Joseph F. Burrell.

Irving B., b. Aug. 9, 1859, d. Mar. 17, 1879.

Alvan P. b. Feb. 10, 1862, res. Natick.

2. Abner<sup>6</sup> L. (Abner<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Jonathan<sup>2</sup>, Edward<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 24, 1827, m. Oct. 8, 1851, Caroline N., dau. Sherman and Hitty (Newell) Battelle, b. Sept. 12, 1827. Mr. Derby was in business as a grocer here for some years. In 1859 he removed to Elmira, New York, and in 1889 settled at Riverside, California. Children:

Monroe N., b. June 16, 1853, d. Jan. 1, 1856.

Eugene A., b. June 30, 1857, d. May 18, 1880.

Carleton W., b. July 28, 1868.

### DEWING.

1. Andrew Dewing first appeared in Dedham in 1646, in which year he was received into the church and also made a freeman. He is believed to have come to America from Lincolnshire, England. His only settlement in Dedham seems to have been on the Clay brook road, about a mile east of the Indian settlement at South Natick. The site of his house can still be seen near the picnic grounds of the late Benjamin N. Sawin. When he moved to what is now Wellesley in 1669, he sold his farm to Thomas Battelle and it became the original Battelle homestead in Dover. Mr. Dewing was a member of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company and a minister to the South Natick Indians. He m. Lydia —, d. Oct. 13, 1651, m. 2ndly, Nov. 10, 1652, Ann Donstall. He died Sept. 16, 1677. Children:

John, b. Jan. 16, 1649, d. in infancy.

John, b. July 19, 1651.

Andrew, b. Dec. 26, 1655.

Rachel, bapt. June 27, 1658.

Lydia, b. about 1660.

Jonathan, b. Apr. 3, 1663.

Ann, bapt. May 6, 1666.

Deborah, b. Oct., 1668.

## DRAPER.

1. James<sup>2</sup> Draper (Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. 1618, m. Apr. 21, 1646, Miriam, dau. Gideon and Grace (Eastwood) Stanfield of Wadsworth, Yorkshire, b. Nov. 27, 1625, d. Jan. 1697. He d. in Roxbury in July, 1694. Mr. Draper came with his wife to America about 1650 and first settled in Roxbury. Later (1656) he took up his residence in that part of Dedham which is now Dover, but subsequently returned to West Roxbury, where he and his wife are buried. He sold his farm in Dedham to his son John in 1688, which contained 216 acres, with all the timber, buildings and fences, bounded on the south by Medfield and on the north by Natick. This estate was long in the family, and a part of it was occupied by his lineal descendant, the late George Draper Everett, on Farm street. This old and prominent family is descended from Thomas Draper of Heptonstall, Vicarage of Halifax, Yorkshire County, England. Mr. Draper was a clothier and fuller there, or one who manufactured cloth and fulled it ready to be made into clothes. Children:

Miriam, b. Heptonstall, England, Feb. 7, 1646-7, said to have m. David Holbrook.

Susanna, b. Roxbury about 1650, m. 1668, John Bacon, Charlestown.

Sarah, b. Roxbury, 1652, m. May 19, 1669, James Hadlock.

James, b. Roxbury, 1654, d. Roxbury, Apr. 30, 1698.

(2) John, b. Dedham, June 24, 1656, d. Apr. 5, 1749.

Moses, b. Dedham, Sept. 26, 1663, d. Boston, Aug. 14, 1693.

Daniel, b. Dedham, May 30, 1665, m. Elizabeth Brackett, res. Roxbury.

Patience, b. Roxbury, Aug. 17, 1668, m. Ebenezer Cass, Boston.

Jonathan, b. Roxbury, Mar. 10, 1670, d. Roxbury, Feb. 28, 1746-7.

2. John<sup>3</sup> (James<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. June 24, 1656, m. Sept. 3, 1686, Abigail, dau. John and Mary (Eaton) Mason, b. Aug. 6, 1659, d. Jan. 26, 1704, m. 2ndly, June 12, 1711, Judeth Rogers, d. Mar. 30, 1730, m. 3rdly, Nov. 26, 1730, Elizabeth Mason, widow of Joseph Mason and dau. Joseph and Mary (Fairbanks) Daniels, b. 1679. He died April 5, 1749. Soon after his marriage Mr. Draper purchased the Dedham farm, which



*Andrew J. Peters' House. James Draper settlement, 1656*



*Laurence Minol's Tepee*

was located on Farm street, and included the farms of Chester A. Hanchett, the late George D. Everett, and other lands. The original house was on the south side of the farm near the Medfield line. This old house, like many others, had a cellar which was unventilated and the stale air unmoving and unmoved could not be breathed without danger. Under these conditions farmers who worked in their cellars in sorting fruit and vegetables always came out with a bad cold, whereas if they had first shoveled away the banking from the closed doors and admitted fresh air for a few hours before entering they would have experienced no injurious effects. They had not learned what is now common knowledge that cold air which is stirring cannot injure or affect any one. Children by first wife:

Abigail, b. Dec., 1686, m. Jan. 19, 1711, John Battle.

Susanna, b. Aug. 1, 1687, m. John Plympton, Medfield, m. 2ndly, Stephen Sabin, Medfield.

(3) John, b. Feb. 20, 1690, d. Apr. 13, 1766.

Mary, b. Oct. 22, 1693, d. Aug. 25, 1700.

Hannah, b. Aug. 7, 1695, d. Aug. 24, 1700.

(4) Joseph, b. June 3, 1699.

James, b. Jan. 29, 1701, d. Jan. 7, 1719.

Mehitable, b. Jan. 14, 1704.

3. John<sup>4</sup> (John<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 20, 1690, m. Sept. 18, 1724, Maria, dau. Thomas and Abigail (Martin) Hall of Dedham, b. May 8, 1701, d. Apr. 13, 1766. Mr. Draper built a house on land which belonged to his father on Springdale avenue, which was later owned by William Whiting. The original house on this farm, removed about forty years ago, was always banked for winter to keep the cold winds out. In the spring the leach barrel was always in evidence and in summer the open doors gave a draft of cooling air which made the rooms comfortable. The huge fireplace piled high with logs made the atmosphere of the living room as warm as possible in winter. Beside the fireplace was the brick oven where the Thanksgiving feast was cooked, a process characterized by a rare skill that has been handed down from generation to generation by New



England housewives. While there were no celery plumes to grace the table, there was an abundance of cranberry sauce made from berries gathered in the meadow near at hand. Last but not least was an abundance of cider made from native apples which had a flavor and color unknown to the present generation in Dover. The thrift of the housewife was shown in the saving of the turkey's wings, which were used during the year in dusting by the most immaculate housekeepers. The brick Indian tepee, which Laurence Minot has built on this old farm is of especial interest as it carries one back to the time when Indian wigwams were as numerous in the town as are the houses today. Every detail of this house corresponds to that of the frail Indian shelter of former days. The large circular living room—twenty-four feet in diameter—occupies two-thirds of the house, in which there are four windows and two glass doors looking out on the surrounding country. In the centre of the room is the bed for the camp fire which is so arranged that the smoke escapes from the chimney-flue at the apex of the tepee, thirty-two feet high. When the logs are piled high in the centre of the room the perfect current of air carries the smoke straight up through the chimney in a thin line, visible to those about the fire, as it was in the Indian wigwam. The conical-shaped ceiling of the room is a beautiful sky, a rich dark blue, in which a myriad of stars twinkle just as they do on the 18th of March in each year, the day selected by Mr. Minot as his model. The various constellations—the big dipper, the little dipper, the north star, Orion and other stars are all there in perfect reproduction. Aside from the tepee room fireplace everything is electrically equipped. Electrical radiators are in every room. A large electric range is in the kitchen. Everything is so arranged that by turning a switch in Mr. Minot's sleeping room the heat begins to generate in the electric radiator, the stove in the kitchen begins to warm up, and an hour later everything is warm and cosy. When Mr. Minot closes the front door of his tepee, after a week's end, it starts an auxiliary



electric appliance working at a very low voltage, whereupon all the cold water in the house becomes lukewarm. Thus on the coldest day in winter the place will not freeze up. Children:

- (5) John, b. Aug. 8, 1725, d. Feb. 3, 1805.  
Mary, b. July 7, 1727, m. Oct. 31, 1754, Samuel Burrage, Newton.
- (6) Thomas, b. June 26, 1732.  
Moses, b. June 29, 1734, d. Feb. 1, 1741.  
Jonathan, b. Apr. 18, 1737.  
Maria, b. Aug. 27, 1739.  
Susanna, b. Mar. 12, 1748, res. Newton.  
Abigail, b. —, m. Mar. 1, 1763, Alexander Shepherd, Newton.  
Joseph b. —.

4. Joseph<sup>4</sup> (John<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. June 3, 1699, m. Jan. 27, 1725, Deborah, dau. Samuel and Deborah (Lovell) Ellis of Medfield, b. 1700. Mr. Draper built a house on his father's land on Farm street, which was owned by the late William Slavin. Here Mr. Draper lived and reared his family. Children:

- Deborah, b. Jan. 23, 1727, m. May 1, 1753, Nathaniel Smith, Dedham.
- Hannah, b. Aug. 25, 1728.
- Olive, b. Nov. 17, 1729, m. Oct. 12, 1749, John Gay, Natick.
- (7) Joseph, b. June 9, 1731.
- (8) James, b. Feb. 20, 1732, d. Apr. 6, 1785.  
Sarah, b. Nov. 9, 1735.

5. John<sup>5</sup> (John<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 8, 1725, m. Oct. 3, 1751, Abigail, dau. John and Elizabeth (Currig) Cheney, b. Aug. 20, 1727, d. Oct. 6, 1809. Mr. Draper lived on the homestead on Springdale avenue. He died Feb. 3, 1805. Children:

- Elizabeth, b. Feb. 15, 1752.
- Moses, b. Feb. 9, 1754, settled in Boston.
- Lydia, b. May 22, 1756, m. Oct. 11, 1776, Benj. Wright, Medfield.
- (9) Josiah, b. Aug. 2, 1758.
- (10) Aaron, b. Jan. 13, 1761.
- (11) Daniel, b. Feb. 20, 1763.  
Abigail, b. May 2, 1765.  
Miriam, b. 1766, m. Oct. 13, 1797, Josiah Knowlton, Sherborn.  
Mary, b. June 12, 1767, m. 1787, Silas Bacon.

6. Thomas<sup>5</sup> (John<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. June 26, 1732, m. May 14, 1766, Lydia, dau. of John and Lydia (Burrage) Cheney, b. Feb. 1, 1741. He lived on the John Draper, Jr., place on Farm street, which was long since abandoned. Child:

Esther, b. July 26, 1767.

7. Joseph<sup>5</sup> (Joseph<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. June 9, 1731, m. Mar. 1, 1759, Lydia, dau. Michael and Abigail Bacon, b. Dec. 21, 1734. Mr. Draper built the house and settled on that part of the original Draper farm which is now owned by Andrew J. Peters on Farm street.

His son Enoch settled on the Natick side of Pegan hill and purchased in 1792 the Thomas Ellis farm, a part of which has remained in the family to the present time. This farm was once a home of Thomas Pegan for whose family or tribe the hill was named, and from whom the early settlers secured their titles. The name Pegan hill appears in the Dedham records as early as 1681, and was probably given to the hill in the early settlement of the town. Children:

Deborah, b. Dec. 1, 1759, m. Capt. David Morse, Sherborn.

Enoch, b. May 8, 1763, m. June 12, 1788, Hannah Clark, Sherborn.

(12) Michael, b. May 9, 1765, d. Apr. 18, 1825.

Joseph, b. Nov. 8, 1767, d. Oct. 6, 1770.

Cato, b. Oct. 4, 1770.

(13) Joseph, b. Oct. 15, 1773, d. Warwick, Jan. 12, 1855.

8. James<sup>5</sup> (Joseph<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 20, 1732, m. Apr. 1, 1767, Lois, dau. John and Rachel Adams of Wrentham, b. Jan. 12, 1740. She married 2ndly Ebenezer Battelle and died Aug. 28, 1818. He d. Apr. 6, 1785. Mr. Draper lived on the homestead on Farm street near Springdale avenue. Children:

Chloe, b. Mar. 15, 1768, d. Aug. 17, 1776.

James, b. Nov. 21, 1771, d. Nov. 18, 1789.

Mehitable, b. Oct. 18, 1773, d. Sept. 19, 1775.

- (14) Lois, b. Oct. 26, 1776, m. Mar. 25, 1797, Jesse Draper.  
William, b. Feb. 12, 1780. Graduated at Harvard, 1803, res. Pontiac, Michigan.

9. Josiah<sup>6</sup> (John<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 2, 1758, m. Keziah Knowlton, b. 1765, d. Oct. 13, 1843. Mr. Draper purchased land and cleared the farm on Center street owned by the late John McKenzie. Children:

- Polly, b. July 4, 1788, m. Feb. 14, 1811, Elnathan Hammond, Bridgewater, N. S.  
(15) Moses, b. Oct. 29, 1792, d. Apr. 2, 1885.  
Abigail, b. Mar. 28, 1802, m. Dec. 14, 1826, Willard Mann.

10. Aaron<sup>6</sup> (John<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 13, 1761, m. Dec. 30, Martha Little of Dedham. Mr. Draper lived on the homestead on Springdale avenue. Children:

- Moses, b. July 24, 1815, res. W. Dedham.  
Aaron, b. June 17, 1818.  
Mary E., b. June 22, 1819, m. Apr. 25, Isaac Collier.  
Lucy, b. Apr., 1822.  
Lydia, b. July 15, 1824.

11. Daniel<sup>6</sup> (John<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 20, 1763, m. May 14, 1793, Namur, dau. Joseph and Hannah Dean, b. May 24, 1774, d. Sept. 1, 1833. Moved to West Dedham. Child:

- Sally, b. Dec., 1793, d. Aug. 11, 1795.

12. Michael<sup>6</sup> (Joseph<sup>5</sup>, Joseph<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. May 9, 1765, m. May 1, 1794, Hannah, dau. Jabez and Hannah (Morse) Baker, b. Apr. 26, 1773, d. Jan. 6, 1822. He d. Apr. 18, 1825. Mr. Draper occupied the farm on Farm street which was settled by his father in 1759. It should be no matter of surprise that these farmers were strong men; the church was never better supported, the social life never excelled, the town was never better governed, and considering their resource the appropriations were never greater for education, roads and public improvements. "The work of the farmer is a school of

mental discipline. He must watch the elements, must understand the nature of the soil he tills, the character and habits of the plants he rears, the character and disposition of each animal that serves him as a living instrument. Each day makes large claims on him for knowledge and sound judgment. He is to apply good sense to the soil. Now these demands tend to foster the habit of observation and judging justly, to increase thought and elevate the man." Children:

- (16) Charles, b. Jan. 7, 1795, d. May 9, 1852.  
 Hannah, b. Sept. 10, 1797, m. Apr. 3, 1823, Alexander Soule.  
 Mary, b. Sept. 21, 1801, d. Feb. 28, 1839.  
 Eliza, b. Feb. 1, 1806, m. Feb. 3, 1828, Jabez Everett.

13. Joseph<sup>6</sup> (Joseph<sup>5</sup>, Joseph<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 15, 1773, m. Jan. 1, 1801, Anna Field, b. June 8, 1775, d. Oct. 16, 1838. Moved to Warwick, where he died, Jan. 12, 1855. He lived on the homestead on Farm street. Children:

- Anna, b. Sept. 28, 1801, m. Sylvanus Ward, Warwick.  
 Harriet, b. May 6, 1803, d. Feb. 14, 1820.  
 Ira, b. June 11, 1805, d. Aug. 24, 1882, Bellows Falls, Vt.  
 Catherine F., b. Warwick, Feb. 8, 1814, m. Joseph Pierce, Warwick.

14. Jesse<sup>6</sup> (Joseph<sup>5</sup>, Daniel<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 26, 1771, m. Mar. 25, 1797, Lois, dau. James and Deborah (Ellis) Draper, b. Oct. 26, 1776. He lived on his wife's father's place on Farm street, owned by the late William Slavin. In 1821 Mr. Draper sold his farm and moved to Southboro. He died July 31, 1833. Children:

- James, b. May 3, 1798, m. Lucy Dana.  
 Caroline, b. Apr. 21, 1800.  
 Jesse, b. Aug. 20, 1802.  
 Joseph, b. 1804, m. Maria Houghton.  
 William, b. May 8, 1806, m. Anna Morrison.  
 Lucinda, b. July 13, 1808, m. Nathaniel Dunbar.  
 Francis, twins, b. Jan. 28, 1811, m. Sarah Simmons.  
 Frances Ann, twins, b. Jan. 28, 1811.  
 Hannah Smith, b. Oct. 17, 1813, m. William Plympton, Walpole.  
 Daniel Adams, b. Sept. 23, 1818, res. Natick.

15. Moses<sup>7</sup> (Josiah<sup>6</sup>, John<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 29, 1792, m. Dec. 2, 1819, Maria, dau. Daniel and Betsey (Leonard) Wilbur of Medfield, b. 1798, d. Sept. 9, 1871, m. 2ndly Mrs. Ann E. Hussey, dau. Hazen and Betsey A. Spencer, b. 1810, d. Feb. 15, 1887. He d. Apr. 2, 1885. Mr. Draper lived on the Leighton farm on Centre street, which was originally a part of his father's estate. Children:

Elizabeth, b. June 7, 1821, m. Albert Mann.

Leonard, b. Jan. 7, 1823, m. Caroline Chickering.

Alfreda, b. Jan. 17, 1825, d. Apr. 11, 1825.

Maria, b. Jan. 9, 1827, d. Oct. 23, 1828.

Anna Maria, b. Mar. 29, 1830, m. Nov. 30, 1848, Oliver E. Mann.

Adeline b. June 5, 1834, m. 1st, Simeon Macdonald of N. S. Children by 1st marriage Arthur L., b. Feb. 22, 1857; Flora J., b. Sept. 3, 1861; George W., b. Oct. 10, 1869, d. June 22, 1879; m. 2ndly William Schofield of N. S.

16. Charles<sup>7</sup> (Michael<sup>6</sup>, Joseph<sup>5</sup>, Joseph<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 7, 1795, m. 1821 Nancy, dau. William, Jr., and Sarah (Blackman) Everett, b. Jan. 1792, d. Dec. 17, 1876. She m. 2ndly, Clement Bartlett. He died May 9, 1852. Mr. Draper lived on the Woodward farm on Strawberry hill. Children:

Nancy Everett, b. Mar. 19, 1822, d. Sept. 3, 1845.

Harriet Everett, b. Jan. 24, 1825, d. Sept. 24, 1825.

Sarah Everett, b. Feb. 8, 1831.

17. Joseph<sup>7</sup> (Daniel<sup>6</sup>, John<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 5, 1796, m. Nov. 19, 1818, Polly, dau. Phineas and Lucy Colburn, b. Apr. 14, 1792, d. 1866. He d. Jan. 19, 1838. Mr. Draper lived in Medfield for some years after his marriage, where he carried on the business of making and fulling cloth. He subsequently sold the business and moved to Dover, where three of his children were born. Mr. Draper later took up his residence in West Dedham. His daughter, Lucy Ellis, m. Apr. 20, 1853, Dr. Frank H. Kelley of Worcester. Dr. Kelley was for several terms Mayor of Worcester and a practicing physician

in that city for many years; author of "Reminiscences of New Hampton, New Hampshire," his native town. Children:

Ellis Dwight, b. Medfield, Aug., 1819, d. Norwood, Dec. 21, 1887.  
 Mary, b. Medfield, Feb., 1821, m. S. R. Leland, Worcester.  
 Joseph Loring, b. Medfield, 1823, m. Hattie Bowne, Sandwich.  
 Francis William, b. Medfield, Apr., 1825, d. West Dedham, 1845.  
 Lucy Ellis, b. Dover, Sept. 3, 1828, m. Dr. F. H. Kelley, Worcester.  
 Rufus Heminway, b. Dover, Feb. 3, 1830, m. May 4, 1871, Charlotte  
   S. Lyman, Dubuque, Ia.  
 George Dean, b. Dover, Jan. 2, 1832, d. May 7, 1866.  
 Sarah Noyes, b. W. Dedham, Mar. 18, 1834, m. June 5, 1856, Louis  
   Ellis, Dedham.

### DUNN.

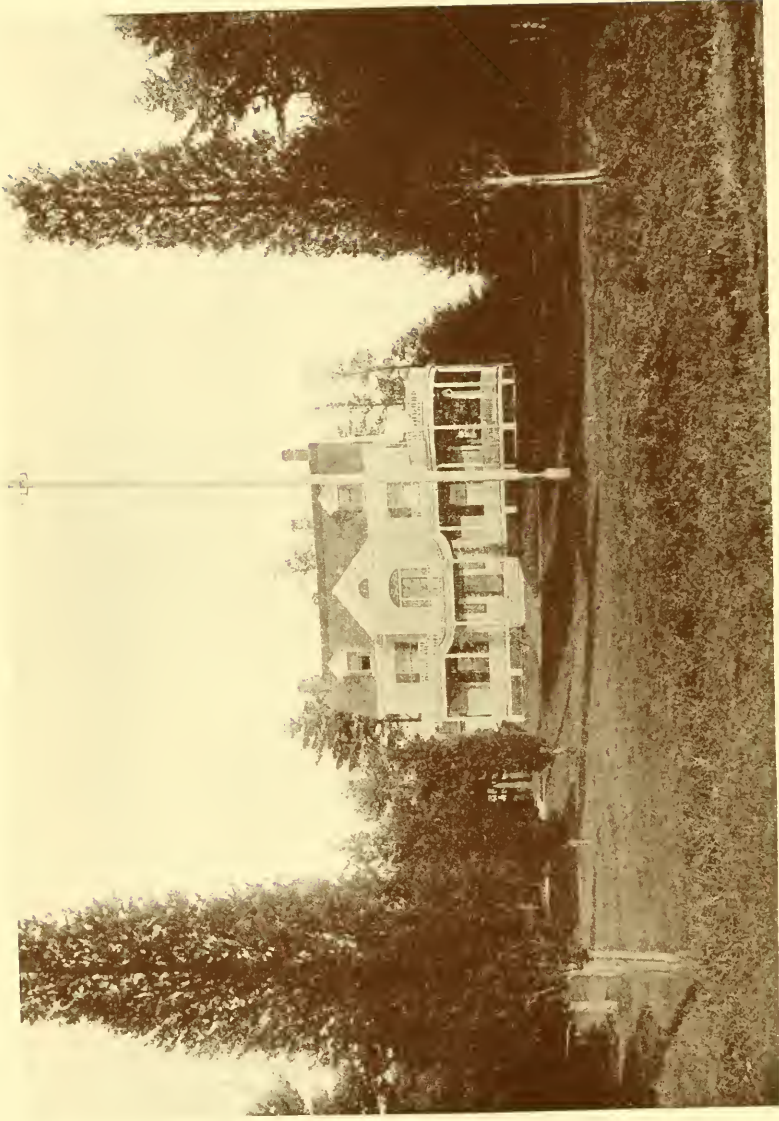
1. Theodore<sup>2</sup> Dunn (William<sup>1</sup>), b. in Boston, Feb. 7, 1813, m. May 16, 1838, Caroline M., dau. Samuel Howe and Eliza (Brazel) Babcock, b. Nov. 28, 1818, d. May 22, 1893. He d. Sept. 18, 1896. Mr. Dunn's father was Dr. William Dunn, who was appointed a surgeon in the United States Navy in 1799. He founded a firm of apothecaries at 71 Cornhill, of which Melvin & Badger are the successors. Theodore Dunn entered Yale College, from which he was transferred to Trinity College. He left college one year before graduation on account of ill health. He made one or two voyages to India for his health before going into business. He was a member of the firm founded by his father. In 1841 he moved to Jamaica Plain and resided there with his family until 1858, when he moved to Dover. He was an alderman in Roxbury and a member for many years of the West Roxbury school committee. He represented Dover as well as Roxbury in the General Court. He was a member of the Dover school committee and superintendent of schools for several years. He always took an active part in town meetings and often led in debate. None of his children were born here but all have been identified in various ways with the town. Children:

Adelaide M., b. Oct. 12, 1839, d. Sept. 13, 1840.  
 Theodore L., b. Dec. 22, 1840, res. Portland, Maine.





*Residence Dr. A. B. Emmon, 2d. Whiting settlement, 1732*



*Miss Lucy A. Smith's House. Ellis settlement, 1890*

Caroline M., b. Mar. 29, 1842, m. June 26, 1867, Ansel K. Tisdale.

William G., b. Sept. 15, 1846, d. Jan. 1, 1847.

Sarah Elizabeth, b. Oct. 15, 1847.

Helen M., b. May 9, 1850, m. Sept. 25, 1872, Theodore F. Jones.

Charles N., b. Apr. 22, 1853, m. May 11, 1882, Eleanor N. Sturtevant,  
res. St. Paul, Minn.

†George F., b. Nov. 2, 1856, d. May 19, 1893.

†The following residents of Dover have attended the Mass. Inst. of Technology:  
George F. Dunn, Daniel Comiskey, Charles G. Paine.

### EASTMAN.

Luther<sup>1</sup> Eastman, b. 1799, m. Jan. 18, 1830, Olivia, dau. Aaron and Mehitable (Smith) Whiting, b. 1789, d. Feb. 18, 1851. He d. Aug. 6, 1847. Mr. Eastman came to Dover from Connecticut. Aaron Whiting built for his son-in-law the present house and barn on the farm occupied by the late Theodore Dunn on Springdale avenue. Mr. Eastman was interested in town affairs and was a member of the board of selectmen. He set out the row of beautiful shade trees on Springdale avenue east of his residence. Children:

Adelaide O., b. July 26, 1831, d. Apr. 7, 1833.

Mary Anna A., b. Nov. 3, 1833, d. June 21, 1858.

### ELLIS.

1. Eleazer<sup>3</sup> Ellis (Richard<sup>2</sup>, Samuel<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 1663, m. May 27, 1690, Mehitable, dau. John and Mary (Wood) Thurston of Medfield, b. 1667, d. Apr. 24, 1749. He d. Dec. 25, 1730-1. Mr. Ellis lived on Haven street, east of George E. Chickering's farm. The Dover Ellises are descended from Samuel Ellis, who, with his two sons, John and Richard, emigrated to America about 1635. John Ellis settled in Medfield, while his brother Richard made his home in Dedham. When Richard Ellis died the inventory of his real estate contained land in "Springfield" and "Powisset." His son Eleazer settled here, probably at the time of his marriage in 1690. His house was located on Haven street, east of George E. Chickering's. He may have owned more than one house, as the inventory of his property speaks of

"his buildings and housing." "Housing" was sometimes used as the plural of house. The Ellises were prominent in all precinct and military affairs; in the organization of the First Parish Church, and in the Revolution. This family represented as fully as any other certain phases of colonial life, which may well be referred to here. In the early time each farm house was a factory, where the homespun clothing was manufactured for the family. Happily, once a year the itinerant tailoress entered to cut garments; and the shoemaker to make a stock of cowhide boots and shoes from leather so thoroughly tanned that when it was greased with tallow, as was the universal custom, it was impervious even to snow water. In this house factory there was made, from grease, and the ashes leached at the door, a supply of both hard and soft soap for the family. In the fall a year's supply of candles were dipped from tallow. The "buttery" was a reality, and here in the sweet June days was salted down a winter's supply of butter. In the fall the milk was used in the manufacture of cheese, and long rows of cheeses were daily buttered and turned. In the early winter the pig killing, with the pickling of meats, the making of sausages, and the trying of lard, made this Puritan home a house of industry. On the garret floor were spread to dry the chestnuts, the butternuts, the hazel nuts, the shagbarks and hickory nuts, which had been gathered for the winter's supply. The bark of the butternut and sassafras was used for coloring woolen garments, as dyeing was a branch of this house factory. Hung upon the garret rafters were herbs for medicines, gathered while the herbs were in bloom; tansy and sage for headache and fever, saffron for measles, thoroughwort for colds and coughs, together with roots and barks which were used for rheumatism and the purifying of the blood. In the fall this little home factory was employed in apple drying, and the making of pickles. The kitchen was adorned with strings of dried apple, crookneck squashes and seed corn. The year's supply of beans stored in the garret should not be overlooked, as they



furnished no small part of the food supply of a New England family. In the chaise house was a supply of the purest and strongest cider vinegar, drawn from large casks, which in the spring received the remnants of the cider left in the many barrels which had been emptied by the family during the winter. The meal room was furnished with a large chest with apartments for rye, Indian and other meals, with facilities for sifting. The various rooms were spoken of as the "back room," "middle room," "front room," "bed room," "little room," "little chamber," "front chamber" and "front entry." The old colonial house abounded in cupboards, tall, spacious cupboards extending from floor to ceiling, low, deep cupboards for kettles and pans, cupboards over the fireplace for medicines and other articles, cupboards in the corner of the rooms were often called buffets. The demand for cupboards must have appealed to the imagination of man. Larger accommodations were often provided by adding to the house as the family increased a "bed room," "back kitchen" or front "stoop." In the "out door work," as it was called, flax was grown and sheep raised to meet the demands of the family; the farmer was simply a grower and producer for the house. Fields were cleared and planted to meet the demands of the home, for wood, flax, vegetables and cereals.

Rocks were dug and stone walls made while the farmer was waiting for other work. In the fall the farmer with his boys threshed the grain, dressed the flax, husked the corn, drew home the year's supply of fuel, and went to Boston to exchange the little surplus for a few needed articles for the family. He took his food with him and fodder for the horse. One of the older boys was usually taken along to give him a glimpse of life in the great city. In this severe toil we must not forget the boy who rode the plough horse, and the girl who bleached the linen in the broiling sun as it lay spread upon the grass and must be watered every hour. The aged grandmother sits in the corner and knits, while the farmer and his wife illustrate Yankee industry and ingenuity. Thrift was synonymous with work, and

they looked about to find no better way for getting a living. They made the little money which they possessed by bargains sharply turned.

A great transition came in the life of the farmer in the distribution and exchange of commerce and the introduction of factory made clothes. The commerce abroad demanded ships for carrying purposes, and this created a demand for the native growth of timber for ship building. With the introduction of factory made clothes the bang of the spinning wheel was silenced in the house forever. The demand for ship timber and the exchange of produce created a demand for sugar, molasses and other articles, so the use of dry and West India goods sprung up. Butchers commenced to slaughter and to make regular rounds with dressed beef and mutton. All of these conditions added to the comfort and the pleasure of the home. While we have lost the old neighborly sympathies of life we have gained great possibilities of culture and adornment. The early settlers were accustomed to drink, and the price of beer was regulated by law. It was brewed from barley malt. In time beer gave way to cider. It was some time before apple orchards flourished in New England, as much of the territory is farther north than the natural latitude of the apple. In 1728 a barrel of cider was worth \$1.20, and cost less than a barrel of corn. Old cider had strong intoxicating properties, but in time gave way to rum, which became the favorite beverage and was consumed in large quantities as the drinking of beer and cider had created an appetite for it. New England rum gradually gave place to Jamaica rum, in the introduction of West India goods. In the evolution of strong drinks whiskey has largely displaced rum. Gin and brandy were sold by the gallon, bottle and glass. In country stores, and among the people generally, credit was universally given and rarely abused, as all were intimately acquainted with one another. Children:

(2) Josiah, b. Sept. 13, 1691.

(3) Eleazer, b. Sept. 23, 1692.



Mehitable, b. May 13, 1695, m. Dec. 4, 1716, Henry Dewing, Needham.

David, b. Aug. 24, 1696, d. Sept. 9, 1696.

David, b. Jan. 10, 1697-8, d. Feb. 8, 1697-8.

(4) Benjamin, b. Nov. 14, 1699.

(5) Caleb, b. Dec. 31, 1703.

(6) Joshua, b. Dec. 31, 1703.

2. Josiah<sup>4</sup> (Eleazer<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>2</sup>, Samuel<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 13, 1691, m. Dorcas ———. He d. June 1, 1751. Mr. Ellis settled in 1728 on the George D. Hall farm on Walpole street. Children:

Priscilla, b. May 25, 1729.

Elizabeth, b. Aug. 22, 1732, m. Joseph Blake, Keene, N. H.

Kezia, b. July 20, 1737.

Josiah, b. Mar. 3, 1739-40.

Mary, b. Mar. 29, 1742, m. Abijah Metcalf, Keene.

Estha, b. —, went to Keene.

Dorcas, b. —, m. 1752, Jesse Clarke, Keene.

3. Eleazer<sup>4</sup>, Jr. (Eleazer<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>2</sup>, Samuel<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 23, 1692, m. Jan. 5, 1718, Mary Crosby of Billerica. He died in 1745, and is buried in Dover. His farm was the Caryl place on Dedham street. Children:

Mary, b. Apr. 18, 1719.

Mehitable, b. Sept. 14, 1720.

(7) Timothy, b. Sept. 14, 1724.

Hannah, b. Mar. 10, 1726-7.

Eleazer, b. Mar. 9, 1729-30.

Rachel, b. July 19, 1733.

Eleazer, b. Aug. 31, 1735.

William, b. Apr. 23, 1738, m. Feb. 18, 1763, Mehitable, daughter of Joshua and Elizabeth (Fisher) Ellis. He settled in Keene, N. H.

4. Benjamin<sup>4</sup> (Eleazer<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>2</sup>, Samuel<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 14, 1699, m. Jan. 28, 1728, Eleanor, dau. Robert and Submit Cook of Needham, b. Feb. 2, 1707-8. He died Mar. 31, 1750. Mr. Ellis owned the Coughlan farm on Walpole street, where he settled in 1728-9. Children:

Eleanor, b. Jan. 4, 1729-30, m. Apr. 4, 1751, Noah Weld, Roxbury.

Benjamin, b. June 20, 1731, d. Apr. 28, 1750.

Robert, b. Feb. 7, 1732-3.

5. Caleb<sup>4</sup> (Eleazer<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>2</sup>, Samuel<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 31, 1703, m. May 20, 1736, Hannah, dau. Henry and Hannah Pratt of Needham, b. Mar. 16, 1714. She m. 2ndly Jabez Wood. He d. 1740. Caleb Ellis inherited, with his brother Joshua, the homestead and lived in the house of his father on Haven street. Children:

Hannah, b. Feb. 1, 1736-7, m. Apr. 11, 1754, William Whiting.  
 Julietta, b. Apr. 2, 1739, m. May 21, 1766, Enoch Ellis, Walpole.  
 Benjamin, b. May 17, 1751.  
 Joshua, b. Jan. 22, 1753.  
 Elizabeth, b. May 22, 1755.  
 Julietta, b. May 23, 1757.  
 Eleazer, b. Oct. 11, 1760.

6. Joshua<sup>4</sup> (Eleazer<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>2</sup>, Samuel<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 31, 1703, m. Elizabeth Fisher, d. Jan. 17, 1785. He d. 1783. Joshua Ellis was a deacon in the Needham Church and was also prominent in the organization of the Dover First Parish Church. The site selected for the first meeting house was a part of the Ellis estate and was probably donated by Dea. Ellis, as he gave the land adjoining on the north for a schoolhouse. He was moderator of the first Parish Meeting held Jan. 4, 1749, he was also elected the first Parish Clerk. In the selection of Mr. Joseph Manning, in 1758, and Mr. Benjamin Caryl in 1762, to settle over the parish as their minister, he was a member of the committee chosen to acquaint them of the fact. We can think of Mr. Ellis as presenting a striking and venerable appearance with his queue, knee buckles and shining silver shoe buckles. He exerted for many years a strong and moulding influence on the affairs of the Parish. Children:

Ebenezer, b. Oct. 5, 1733, d. May 10, 1743.  
 Elizabeth, b. Feb. 27, 1734-5, d. Feb. 25, 1735-6.  
 Betty, b. May 30, 1736, m. Timothy Richardson, Franklin.  
 Abigail, b. Apr. 19, 1738, m. Zenas Morey, Charlton.  
 Meletiah, b. Aug. 25, 1739, d. 1782.  
 Mehitable, b. Jan. 8, 1741-2, m. William Ellis.  
 Caleb, b. Nov. 26, 1742, d. Feb. 21, 1742-3.  
 Rebecca, b. July 30, 1744, d. Oct. 21, 1745.  
 Joshua, b. —, d. Apr. 20, 1745.

Mercy, b. July 5, 1749.

Mary, b. Aug. 12, 1750.

Rebecca, b. —.

7. Timothy<sup>5</sup> (Eleazer<sup>4</sup>, Eleazer<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>2</sup>, Samuel<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 14, 1724, m. Elizabeth. He lived on his father's farm on Dedham street, and about 1763 moved to Keene, N. H., where he was one of the most prominent men of the town. Children:

Timothy, b. Jan. 5, 1746-7.

Caleb, b. Mar. 2, 1748-9.

### EMMONS

Arthur<sup>9</sup> Brewster Emmons, M. D. (George<sup>8</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>7</sup>, Samuel<sup>6</sup>, Samuel<sup>5</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), son of George Beale and Mareta (Davis) Emmons, was born in St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 9, 1875. He is descended from Thomas Emmons, who was in Newport, R. I., in 1638 but removed to Boston where he was admitted a freeman in 1652. All of Dr. Emmons' paternal ancestors have lived in Boston. He was educated in St. Louis, St. Paul's School, Concord, and was graduated from Harvard in 1898, Harvard Medical School in 1902. After four years in hospitals he spent a year in study abroad and one year in Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore. He married Sept. 15, 1909, Louise A., dau. of William and Louise (Anderson) Hickok at the old Anderson house, Bradford, Pa. In 1909 Dr. Emmons settled in Boston, specializing in obstetrics. A love of the country induced Dr. and Mrs. Emmons to move to Dover in 1912. Their home, "Knowlwood," was built in 1914. Children:

Arthur Brewster, 3rd., b. Aug. 30, 1910.

Orville Hickok, b. Feb. 5, 1913.

### EVERETT

1. Jabez<sup>7</sup> Everett (William<sup>6</sup>, William<sup>5</sup>, William<sup>4</sup>, William<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 27, 1799, at South Dedham, now

Norwood, m. Feb. 3, 1828, Eliza Draper, dau. of Michael and Hannah (Baker) Draper, b. Feb. 6, 1806, d. Mar. 6, 1831. He d. June 28, 1831. Mr. Everett was descended from Richard Everett, whose name first appears as a witness in the signing of the deed conveying the lands in and about Springfield from the Indians to William Pynchon, Henry Smith and Jehu Burr, July 15, 1636. He was for several years in the employ of Pynchon and was called his "trader." No definite information has been obtained of his arrival in New England, or from what part of England he came. It has been claimed without stating the authority that he and his wife Mary came in the same ship with John Dwight who came here from Dedham, England, in 1644-5, and for whom it is believed the town of Dedham was named. Previous to his second marriage, in 1643, to Mary Winch, he divided his time between Dedham and Springfield, but after their marriage he lived in Dedham. He attended the first recorded meeting of the proprietors of Dedham in August, 1636. He was made a freeman in 1646 and from this time on he served as a town officer and was on many town committees frequently being called to lay out lots.

Jabez Everett was a farmer and lived with his father-in-law, Michael Draper, on Farm street. Child:

(2) George Draper, b. June 24, 1829.

2. George<sup>s</sup> D. (Jabez<sup>7</sup>, William<sup>6</sup>, William<sup>5</sup>, William<sup>4</sup>, William<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>) b. June 24, 1829, m. June 23, 1861, Martha A., dau. Micajah S. and Betsey (Haskell) Plummer, b. Aug. 17, 1838, in New Gloucester, Maine. He d. Mar. 4, 1904. Mr. Everett held important town offices, including the board of selectmen and town treasurer. He had for many years a hay, flour, grain and grocery business at his residence on Farm street. Mrs. Martha Plummer Everett was for ten years Superintendent of Dover Schools. Mrs. Everett has been much interested in public affairs, especially in women's rights, of which she has been a strong advocate. Sarah Eliza graduated from the Nor-



*Old oak tree on the Common*





*Noanet Brook, near which Noanet had his wigwam*



mal Art School, Boston, in 1883. Martha Elizabeth graduated at Smith College in 1888. Children:

Sarah E., b. May 13, 1862, m. Jan. 1, 1883, John M. Humphry.  
 Martha E., b. Nov. 16, 1863, m. June 26, 1888, Rev. Charles E. St. John.  
 Edward P., b. Sept. 2, 1865, d. July 2, 1869.  
 Charles C., b. Sept. 11, 1871, res. San Francisco, Cal.  
 George O., b. Mar. 6, 1874, d. Dec. 15, 1891.

### FARRINGTON

Benjamin<sup>3</sup> Farrington (Jesse<sup>2</sup>, Benjamin<sup>1</sup>), b. July 27, 1827, m. Nov. 27, 1850, M. Louise, dau. Edward Blake and Julia F. (Crane) Emmons, b. June 17, 1830, d. Feb. 20, 1892. He died August, 1900. Mr. Farrington bought the original John Battelle farm on Main street in 1867, moving here from West Roxbury. He had a milk business in connection with his farm. Children:

Eva L., b. Dec. 18, 1852, m. 1883, Wm. A. MacDonald.  
 Frederick E., b. Feb. 18, 1855, m. May 21, 1881, Lucy G. Berry.  
 Mary L., b. Aug., 1858, m. 1876, P. A. Batchelder.  
 Sarah R., b. Aug., 1860, m. 1879, Wm. A. Reed.  
 Julia B., b. Feb. 11, 1864, res. Nantucket.  
 Charles E., b. August, 1870, m. June, 1892, Harriet A. Brown.

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Note—Ichabod Farrington and Samuel Farrington were residents of the Parish at the time of the Revolutionary War.

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Note—Several members of the Fairbanks family were residents of the Springfield Parish at different times, but none continued to live here. Aaron and Benjamin, both descended from Jonathan Fairbanks, who came from England to Boston in 1631, and settled in Dedham in 1636, lived here. Aaron was a member of the Springfield Parish Company of Minute Men under Capt. Ebenezer Battle, which marched at the Lexington Alarm. He settled in 1779 in Stoddard, N. H. Benjamin, who was in the Springfield Parish in 1781, was probably a son of Benjamin of the Dedham 3d Parish.

### FAULK

John<sup>2</sup> Henry Faulk (Frank<sup>1</sup>), was born Jan. 7, 1864, being a son of Frank and Sarah Elizabeth (Kirk) Faulk, m. Feb. 14, 1891, Clarabel, dau. Martin Van Buren and Ruth (Terry) Ruland, b. Nov. 20, 1867. Mr. Faulk is of Dutch descent, his ancestors having settled in the Mohawk valley, New York, before the Revolution in which they took a prominent part; his

paternal grandfather was shot at Fort Herkimer by an Indian with a poisoned arrow. Mr. Faulk's great great grandfather, Col. Small, was killed at the Battle of Oriskany and buried at Fort Herkimer. Mr. Faulk came to Dover to engage in poultry farming; he is town clerk, a position which he has held since 1909. Children:

Dorothy, b. Sept. 11, 1893, m. Nov. 15, 1916, Henry Clinton Woodard,  
res. Allston.

Terry Ruland, b. July 26, 1901.

### FEARING

Perez<sup>7</sup> L. Fearing (Israel<sup>6</sup>, Shubal<sup>5</sup>, James<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, Israel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), son of Israel and Elizabeth (Cushing) Fearing was b. in Hingham. June 26, 1811, m. Oct. 27, 1833, Margaret J., dau. Robert and Elizabeth (Hersey) Corthell, b. Jan. 18, 1807, d. Aug. 11, 1875. Mr. Fearing was descended from John Fearing, who was in Hingham as early as 1635. He is said to have come from "Cambridge in Old England." He was a man of prominence and held many positions, in the town, of trust and responsibility. He was for many years a deacon in the Hingham Church. Perez L. Fearing, who was a cooper by trade, moved to Dover in 1852. At first he worked at farming in the summer and followed his trade in making buckets and repairing wooden ware in the winter; later he devoted all his time to his trade. After a few years, however, he went into the wood business and sold his prepared wood in the Boston market. After a time he returned to Hingham. His son, Perez F., enlisted in the Civil War from this town and died in the service. Children:

Lydia A., b. Aug. 24, 1835.

George W., b. Aug. 16, 1837.

Margaret J., b. Mar. 9, 1839, m. Andrew W. Bartlett.

Ellen E., b. Jan. 18, 1840.

Perez F., b. Aug. 19, 1842.

Martha W., b. Feb., 1844, d. Sept. 18, 1846.

Washington I., b. May 28, 1846.

Martha L., b. Jan., 1848, m. John Howe, West Springfield.

Edwin W., b. May 9, 1851.

## FISHER.

1. Josiah<sup>5</sup> Fisher (John<sup>4</sup>, Joshua<sup>3</sup>, Joshua<sup>2</sup>, Anthony<sup>1</sup>) b. in Medfield, Dec. 9, 1692, m. Dec. 4, 1716, Hannah, dau. Elisha and Hannah (Metcalf) Bullen, b. June 28, 1697, d. Nov. 16, 1765. He d. Apr. 23, 1781. This family is descended from Anthony Fisher who lived in Suffolk County, England, on the south bank of the Waveney River in the Parish of Syleham on a freehold estate called "Wignotte." He m. Mary Fiske who belonged to an old Puritan family of England, which suffered much during the religious persecutions of Queen Mary's reign. Two of their children, Anthony and Joshua, came to New England with their families. Anthony arrived here in 1637 and Joshua in 1640. They settled in Dedham. Joshua was a blacksmith and went to Medfield in the settlement of that town in 1650. Anthony remained in Dedham, where he d. in 1669. Both brothers had descendants who lived in Dover and were prominent in the affairs of the town and parish. Four members of the family represented the parish in the Revolution. Josiah Fisher owned the farm on Bridge street, near the corner of Farm street. Here was represented the colonial life of past generations. The horseblock stood under a large spreading elm in front of the house and was a conspicuous object until removed a few years since. Although unnamed on early maps of the town, the brook which runs through this farm and enters Charles River, was called in a transfer of real estate in 1772 Fisher's brook. This name should be permanently affixed to this stream. Mr. Fisher was a good farmer and owned a fine farm, but did not mingle much with the people of the parish, as he naturally went to Medfield, the place of his birth, for trade and post-office facilities. His grandson, Fisher Allen, inherited the estate. Children:

Hannah, b. June 4, 1717, m. Dec. 4, 1740, Seth Dwight.

Miriam, b. Oct. 26, 1720, m. Noah Allen, d. June 23, 1757.

Josiah, b. Oct. 20, 1725, d. Nov. 6, 1725.

Jonathan, b. Oct. 8, 1729, d. Oct. 19, 1729.

Abigail, b. Aug. 7, 1733, d. Aug. 15, 1733.

2. Samuel<sup>6</sup> (John<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Anthony<sup>2</sup>, Anthony<sup>1</sup>) b. at Needham, Aug. 5, 1711, m. Mar. 29, 1744, Sarah Whiting, d. Aug. 28, 1748. He m. 2ndly Aug. 14, 1751, Mary, dau. Samuel and Mary (Harding) Chickering, b. Apr. 13, 1724, d. 1779-80. He d. Nov. 16, 1757. Mr. Fisher remained on the Powisset farm, with his father-in-law, Samuel Chickering, which was later inherited by his wife. Children:

Sarah, b. Oct. 1, 1745, d. Aug. 24, 1748.

Hannah, b. 1747, d. Aug. 20, 1748.

Mary, b. Nov. 25, 1752.

Sarah, b. Dec. 20, 1754, m. Jan. 4, 1774, Henry Tisdale.

(3) Samuel, b. Jan. 11, 1757.

3. Samuel<sup>7</sup> (Samuel<sup>6</sup>, John<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Anthony<sup>2</sup>, Anthony<sup>1</sup>) b. Jan. 11, 1757, m. 1782, Abigail, dau. Asa and Besiah (Fisher) Mason of Medfield, b. 1759, d. Sept. 6, 1843. He died Apr. 14, 1822. Mr. Fisher was a captain in the militia. He purchased the Ebenezer Newell farm at Dover centre, now owned by Eben Higgins, and moved from Powisset. He was a prominent citizen and a large land holder. At one time he owned a tract of land which included all of Powisset and numbered nearly five hundred acres, all of which he tried to enclose with a stone wall. At one time Mr. Fisher refused \$30,000 for the lumber on his estate. He considered the land so valuable that his opposition to the Hartford turnpike caused it to be built much further south than was the original plan. Capt. Fisher erected a saw mill on Powisset farm which was of much utility to himself, and a great convenience to his neighbors, and the farmers of the surrounding territory. Mr. Fisher was public spirited and a leader in town affairs. He sent two sons to Harvard. George Fisher was a very brilliant debator and held the people spellbound by his eloquence in town meeting. He was admitted to the bar and practiced law in Boston and Detroit. Capt. Fisher was very hospitable and always held out a standing invitation to all who remained for the afternoon service of the First Parish Church to come to his house during the noon hour,

and eat bread and cheese. He was truly one of the fathers of the town and was looked up to by young and old. The early settlers had to endure not only hardships and privations in making new homes in the wilderness but to guard against foes as well. They were all exposed to attacks from the Indians. The General Court of Massachusetts early provided for the proper protection of the people by requiring every town to provide a safe and convenient place to store powder and ammunition. At first the meeting house in Dedham was used for this purpose, later the town provided a "Powder House." We are all interested in the Dedham Powder House, which was erected in 1766 and is still standing. As the property of the Springfield Parish aggregated nearly one-fourth of the assessed property of the town, which was taxed to build the powder house, we have a lively interest in it. The report of a Dedham committee says: So thoroughly is the Powder House identified with the social life of the community, that it has come to be regarded as almost a sacred spot, dear not only to the present dwellers in the village, but to sons and daughters of Dedham, now scattered through the length and breadth of the land. Dover had her powder house, too, which was built in 1800 and stood on a rock fifteen feet square on Walpole street. This rock was presented to the town by Capt. Samuel Fisher. Children:

Samuel, b. Dec. 12, 1783, graduated from Harvard in 1810, admitted to Suffolk Bar, 1813, d. May 8, 1826.

Abigail, b. Feb. 24, 1785, m. June 3, 1807, Timothy Allen, Jr.

(4) George, b. July 1, 1786, m. 1810, Hannah Smith Walpole.

Isaac, b. Feb. 19, 1788, d. Apr. 10, 1791.

(5) Charles, b. Oct. 25, 1789.

Lucy, b. Oct. 19, 1791, d. Sept. 27, 1793.

Mason, b. Aug. 29, 1793, graduated from Harvard in 1813, d. June 24, 1816.

Sally, b. June 5, 1795, d. July 18, 1795.

(6) Nathan M., b. Mar. 12, 1799, m. Elizabeth Champney.

4. George<sup>8</sup> (Samuel<sup>7</sup>, Samuel<sup>6</sup>, John<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Anthony<sup>2</sup>, Anthony<sup>1</sup>) b. July 1, 1786, m. Jan. 1, 1811, Hannah, dau. Isaac and Mary (Richards) Smith of Walpole, b. Feb. 18, 1790.

He d. in New Orleans Sept. 25, 1831. Mr. Fisher was a contractor and built a section of the Erie Canal near Rochester, New York, also built a part of the Boston mill dam. Children:

Isaac Newton, b. Oct. 2, 1812, m. Susan Bruce, res. West Seneca, N. Y.

George Washington, b. June 29, 1814, m. Mary J. Acer of Pittsford, N. Y.

Mason Adams, b. Aug. 7, 1816, d. in 1847, Rochester, N. Y.

Hannah Ann, b. Lyons, N. Y., Sept. 26, 1821, m. Alfred Ellis of Walpole. She died Mar. 8, 1888.

5. Charles<sup>8</sup> (Samuel<sup>7</sup>, Samuel<sup>6</sup>, John<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Anthony<sup>2</sup>, Anthony<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 25, 1789, m. 1812, Ruby Wilson, dau. Joseph Wilson of Ashford, Conn. He died July 19, 1821. She m. 2ndly Sept. 21, 1823 Seth Chapin of Dedham, m. 3dly Jeremiah Jones, and d. in Medfield, Sept. 13, 1881. He had land from his father's farm at Powisset on which he built a house east of the homestead, the cellar of which can still be seen. His son Nathan was a prominent temperance reformer and an anti-slavery agitator. He moved to the far west. Children:

Nathan M., b. Feb. 23, 1813, m. Elizabeth C. Boyden, Walpole.

Harris W., b. Apr. 25, 1817, m. Mary N. Blake, went to California in the early fifties.

Charles, b. Dec. 25, 1819, d. 1901.

Samuel, b. Sept. 26, 1821.

Sally, b. —, m. Mr. Boyden of South Dedham.

6. Nathan<sup>8</sup> M. (Samuel<sup>7</sup>, Samuel<sup>6</sup>, John<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Anthony<sup>2</sup>, Anthony<sup>1</sup>) b. Mar. 12, 1799, m. Feb. 21, 1821, Elizabeth Gray, dau. William and Elizabeth (Ingersoll) Champney. He died May 15, 1834. He was a trader, and lived on the Powisset farm.

The people of this generation, with adequate household servants, hard floors and vacuum cleaners, do not know the ordeal of house-cleaning of our forefathers, when on the Monday following Easter the work began. While most housekeepers did their own cleaning with soap and water, step-ladder, scrubbing brush and tack hammer, yet there were usually in all neighbor-



hoods strong-armed women who went out to "clean by the day." When the house-cleaning begins, as a recent writer has said, "all the books are taken off the shelves and stacked in an upper chamber; the cabinets, tables, chairs, divans and pictures are stacked in the middle of the room, as if this were a blockhouse when the Hurons had hit the warpath. Meals are eaten off the mantelpiece. At night beds are shared with bags of winter clothing done up for summer storage and smelling vilely of camphor. For once, the children are glad to go to school and not sorry if they have to 'stay after.' There is only one job more heart-breaking (and back-breaking) than the taking up of a carpet, and that is putting one down. To have spent five minute stretching a breadth and then, with eyes popping, cheeks puffed and mouth too full for utterance, to see the hammer just 11 inches out of arm's reach, is no plight for an irritable man. These are the tragedies of house-cleaning." Children:

Elizabeth J., b. Sept. 10, 1823, m. Charles C. Henshaw, Boston.

James Otis, b. June 30, 1825, m. Melissa Sherman, res. Rochester, N. Y.

Abigail M., b. Oct. 16, 1827, m. Henry W. Clarke, Boston.

Joseph<sup>7</sup> (Joseph<sup>6</sup>, Josiah<sup>5</sup>, Josiah<sup>4</sup>, Josiah<sup>3</sup>, Anthony<sup>2</sup>, Anthony<sup>1</sup>) b. in Dedham May 17, 1739, m. Mar. 8, 1764, Mary, dau. Edward and Mary (Allen) Everett, b. Dec. 10, 1739. He died Dec. 2, 1790. She died in Concord, Oct. 21, 1822. Children:

†Jesse, b. Feb. 2, 1765, res. Fitzwilliams, N. H.

Joseph, b. May 24, 1767, d. Dec. 26, 1790.

Chloe, b. Mar. 10, 1771, m. Sept. 3, 1789, Joseph Richards.

Edward, b. in Natick, Feb. 18, 1781, res. Newton.

7. John<sup>7</sup> (John<sup>6</sup>, John<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Anthony<sup>2</sup>, Anthony<sup>1</sup>) b. Nov. 4, 1744, at Needham, m. Dec. 17, 1767, Mary, dau. Sam-

†From a pamphlet entitled Reunion of the Fisher Family held at Grinnell, Iowa, Aug. 28, 1878, we quote the following: "About the year 1798 our grandfather, Jesse Fisher, moved up from Massachusetts or Southern New Hampshire into the woods of Vermont and settled in what is now the town of Baltimore. He was a man of tremendous energy, but of little culture, and was principally engaged in hewing down forests and in making his farm a fit abode for civilized man."—Fisher Genealogy.

uel and Sybil Metcalf. He died May 24, 1778, without issue. His farm was on Centre street near Fisher bridge.

8. Jesse<sup>6</sup> (Jeremiah<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Anthony<sup>2</sup>, Anthony<sup>1</sup>), b. in Needham, Jan. 17, 1741-2, m. Oct. 31, 1775, Lois dau. Samuel and Sybil Metcalf. He m. 2ndly Sept. 19, 1792, Jerusha, dau. Joshua and Esther (Cheney) Armsby of Medfield. He died June 30, 1816. Moved to Brewer, Maine. He lived on the farm near the "new mill" where Frederick Barden was born but which has long since been abandoned. Some beautiful elm trees planted by Mr. Fisher still grow near the ruins of the cellar of the old homestead. Children:

Polly, b. Feb. 22, 1776, m. Mar. 28, 1805, Asa Howard, Needham.

Patty, b. Aug. 1, 1777, m. 1818, Samuel Cobb.

Sally, b. June 29, 1779, m. June 3, 1804, Amasa Howe, Dedham.

Jesse, b. Jan. 6, 1784.

Ebenezer, d. Dec. 3, 1794, aged 10.

Prudence, b. May 14, 178-, d. single.

9. Joseph<sup>6</sup> (Jeremiah<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Anthony<sup>2</sup>, Anthony<sup>1</sup>) b. in Needham Aug. 5, 1735, m. Dec. 5, 1765, Elizabeth, dau. John and Elizabeth (Woodcock) Farrington, b. Mar. 25, 1745, d. Dec. 4, 1824. He died Apr. 23, 1827, at Needham. Bought the Jesse Fisher farm off of Dedham street, where he lived for a time. Children:

Joseph, b. July 22, 1766, settled in Vermont.

Paul, b. Jan. 2, 1768, m. Priscilla Mason, Medfield.

Caleb, b. April 9, 1770, m. Mary Plimpton.

Moses, b. Feb. 16, 1772, m. May 10, 1798, Patty Allen.

Silas, b. April 4, 1774, d. Jan. 19, 1776.

Silas, b. July 20, 1776, m. Jane Kelsey, res. Vermont.

Bette, b. Mar. 17, 1778.

Hannah, b. July 1, 1781.

Benjamin, b. Dec. 9, 1783.

Cynthia, b. Nov. 30, 1786.

Prudence, b. Mar. 20, 1789, d. Mar. 20, 1811.

10. William<sup>6</sup> (Jeremiah<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Anthony<sup>2</sup>, Anthony<sup>1</sup>) was born in Needham Feb. 20, 1739-40, m. Jan. 23, 1772, Mehitable, dau. Samuel and Sybil Metcalf. He served at the Lexington alarm, also at Dorchester Heights. In 1773 he bought

ninety-six acres of land near what is known as the New Mill and cleared a farm. He sold his farm in 1787, since which time he has not been traced. Children:

Mehitable, b. — 25, 1773.

William, b. Aug. 6, 1775.

William, b. Feb. 11, 1777.

Jeremiah, b. Apr. 2, 1779.

### FISKE

Nathaniel<sup>13</sup> Fiske (David<sup>12</sup>, John<sup>11</sup>, John<sup>10</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>9</sup>, Nathan<sup>8</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>7</sup>, William<sup>6</sup>, Robert<sup>5</sup>, Simon<sup>4</sup>, Simon<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, Symond<sup>1</sup>) b. Mar. 9, 1767, m. May 9, 1798, Abigail, dau. of Fisher and Rachel (Smith) Allen, b. Oct. 12, 1774, d. Mar. 12, 1862. He d. Feb. 25, 1832. The Fiskes trace their English descent to Symond Fisk, Lord of the Manor of Stradhaugh, who lived in the reign of Henry IV and Henry VI, 1399-1422. Nathaniel Fiske was born in Holliston, but settled in Dover at the time of his marriage. He was a successful farmer and owned the Charles F. Lyman farm on Farm street. Mrs. Fiske survived her husband many years, and recalled and used to relate the experiences of the people during the almost total eclipse of the sun in 1816, when the fowls went to roost at midday and many thought the end of the world had come. The great blow in 1815, which laid low the forests, was also recalled by Mrs. Fiske, as well as the cold summer which had a frost every month in the year. The cornfields did not yield their increase and families sat by the fire during summer evenings. Noah Fiske, when a lad, entered a grocery store in Boston and learned the art of "wetting the codfish and putting sand in the sugar." When he entered the employ of the Boston grocer he had never seen any coffee, his family having used a substitute. He was probably early initiated into the custom of retailing rum and whiskey, which was sold by the gill, pint and quart in all grocery stores. In after years he kept a country store in Medfield and one in the west part of Dover, and continued the universal custom of sell-

ing New England rum. Noah Fiske taught the district school near his home, mended the quills and built the school-house fire. He was for many years town clerk and an honored and respected citizen. He proclaimed aloud, as required by law, the banns in the First Parish Church. Just before the service began he arose and announced, "There is a marriage intended between Mr. John A. Blank of Dover and Miss Anna Blank of Medfield." Such notices had to be repeated three Sundays in succession.

Noah Fiske married Anna, dau. of Dr. Elias and Kezia (Harding) Mann of Medfield. Mrs. Fiske was passionately fond of children, although none blessed her home, she was "aunty" to the whole neighborhood. It was her delight to supply the school children with fennel and flowers. Aunty Fiske was the last one of the old ladies of the town to practice what was once a universal habit, the taking of snuff. On an occasion of surprise or excitement, she would involuntarily draw the snuff box from her pocket and take a pinch of snuff. Some fine samples of snuff boxes are still found in Dover homes.

The West School was supplied with water from the Fiske well for more than a half century. Usually two boys, who were on good terms with one another, would manage to get permission from the teacher to go for a pail of water in school time. When the boys returned some bright little boy or girl would ask permission to pass the water, and in this way the thirst of the children was satisfied. Often the luckless youth would stumble over the protruding foot of some big boy and in consequence lose his recess. At the time of Mr. Fiske's death in 1877, the old homestead contained a large number and great variety of implements used in the domestic arts of the colonial period. Had they been preserved they would have made a fine collection for the rooms of the Dover Historical Society. Recognizing different phases of local history, for the purpose of correlation in teaching history in our schools, we would here record that: "In every war in which the United States has engaged, save that with Spain, an element of the population has been in opposition. The

Revolution produced the Tories; the war of 1812 its 'bluelight Federalists'; the Mexican War its 'bloody-handed whigs,' and the Civil War its 'Copperheads.' All of these factions have existed in this town. Children:

Noah, b. Aug. 26, 1799, m. 1829, Anna Mann of Medfield, b. Dec. 11, 1801, d. May 31, 1881. He d. Sept. 13, 1877.

Sally, b. Nov. 23, 1800, d. June 16, 1866.

Josiah F., b. Feb. 6, 1802, d. Mar. 31, 1829.

Nathaniel, b. Dec. 23, 1803, d. Apr. 30, 1857. Killed by falling from the pole of an oxcart.

### FULLER

David<sup>4</sup> Fuller, (David<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) b. Dec. 6, 1731, m. Mar. 27, 1755, Elizabeth, dau. Thomas and Grace (Wadsworth) Dean, b. Dec. 25, 1732, d. Dec. 26, 1817. He d. Apr. 28, 1805. David Fuller was the first of the name to settle in Dover; he was descended from Thomas Fuller, who is first mentioned in the Dedham records in 1642. Thomas Fuller was a prominent man and served the town in many ways. He was a selectman for fourteen years, and represented the town in the General Court for three terms. He was interested in education, and in 1672 contributed £5 to Harvard College. He took charge of the town's ammunition, and served on various committees. David Fuller was born in Needham, but settled on Strawberry hill the year of his marriage, 1755. A part of his farm had been in the family for many years previous, having been bequeathed to the children of Ensign Thomas Fuller, the emigrant, by Margaret Kingsbury, an aunt of his wife, Hannah Flower, of whom little is known. This land remained in the family until purchased in 1824 by Arnold Wight. Mr. Fuller built the house a year previous to his marriage, which is still standing, with its large open fireplaces around which the family so long gathered. He was commissioned a lieutenant in the militia. He was at the Lexington Alarm and served the parish on important committees during the Revolution. His son Daniel, although a lad of only 15 years, is said to have been a drummer boy in Capt. Daniel



Whiting's company in the Battle of Bunker Hill. He later served in the army, and was a revolutionary pensioner. He was present at the execution of Major Andre. Soon after his marriage in 1786, he moved to Francestown, New Hampshire. He discovered on his farm a fine soapstone quarry which is said to have produced the finest soapstone in the world. Prof. Jackson, the distinguished geologist, said: "The Francestown stone, for color, beauty and evenness, surpasses all other soapstones known." His singular good fortune and his reputation for generous and honorable dealing gave him high standing and not a little local celebrity. Children:

David, b. Dec. 5, 1755, d. Oct. 6, 1760; killed by the falling of a log of wood.

Elizabeth b. Sept. 13, 1758, m. Dec. 18, 1799, Wm. Freeland, Hopkinton.

Daniel, b. Nov. 6, 1760, m. Abigail Eaton, removed to Frances-town.

Abigail, bapt. Nov. 14, 1762, m. Seth Fuller, Francestown.

(2) David, bapt. Oct. 7, 1764, m. Sally Gay.

Catherine bapt. June 11, 1769, m. May 27, 1795, Reuben Greenwood, Sherborn.

Rebecca, bapt. May 3, 1767, d. June 28, 1805.

Hannah, bapt. Oct. 14, 1771, m. June 3, 1790, Thomas Kimball, Sherborn.

Joseph, bapt. July 3, 1774, m. Achsa Greenwood. Removed to Shrewsbury, Vt.

2. David<sup>5</sup>, (David<sup>4</sup>, David<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) b. 1764, m. 1786, Sally, dau. Daniel and Thankful (Morse) Gay of Dedham, b. Jan. 12, 1764, d. Nov. 8, 1852. He d. Aug. 19, 1824. Mr. Fuller was a farmer and inherited the homstead on Strawberry hill. His daughter, Sally Gay, was a very hard working woman, and before her marriage earned money with which to erect the marble monument which stands on her father's lot in Highland Cemetery, marking the graves of her father and mother and brothers and sisters who are buried there. Children:

Moses, b. Feb. 20, 1787, m. Elizabeth Cutler, d. in Franklin, Apr. 29, 1865.

Clarissa, b. Apr. 30, 1789, m. Timothy Adams, Medway.

Spencer, b. Aug. 8, 1791, m. Sally Wilson, d. in Needham, Sept. 27 1857.

Martha, b. Nov. 17, 1793, d. unmarried, May 10, 1816.

Daniel, b. Apr. 4, 1796, m. Julitta Haven, d. at Forest Hills, Dec. 14, 1868.

David, b. Aug. 16, 1798, m. Harriet Herring, d. Dedham, Sept. 14, 1835.

Sally Gay b. May 4, 1801, m. Amos Allen, d. Medway, Jan. 10, 1875.

Elizabeth, b. Apr. 27, 1804, m. Willard Shattuck, died California.

Timothy, b. Aug. 10, 1806, m. Deborah E. Baker, d. Lincoln, Maine, Aug. 21, 1882.

Juliana, b. Nov. 7, 1809, d. unmarried, Jan. 1, 1839.

### GANNETT

William W. Gannett, b. 1820, m. Oct. 10, 1848, Charlotte K., dau. Rev. Ralph and Charlotte (Kingman) Sanger, b. Aug. 17, 1822, d. Aug. 2, 1871. Mr. Gannett made his home in Dover for a time with his father-in-law, the Rev. Dr. Sanger, where one of his several children was born. Mr. Gannett was a member of the firm of Parker & Gannett, proprietors of a widely known agricultural warehouse in Boston. Child:

George P. S., b. Feb. 18, 1856.

### GAY

Stephen Gay, b. —, m. 1787, Silence Merrifield of Milton. He lived on a farm long since deserted near the home of Thomas Larrabee on Strawberry hill. Mr. Gay served in the Continental Army. Descendants of John Gay who emigrated to America about 1630 and subsequently settled in Dedham appear in the early Dover records. Ezra Gay's name appears in the petition for the organization of the First Parish Church in 1748, but he seems to have left the parish soon after its organization. Children:

Catharine, b. Oct. 15, 1788.

Abigail, b. June 16, 1790.

Olive, b. Jan. 26, 1792.

George, b. Nov. 8, 1794.

Sally, b. Nov. 16, 1796.

Hannah, b. Apr. 20, 1799.

Leonard, b. 1784, m. Pamela, dau. Jonas and Lydia (Frost) Cutter of Cambridge, b. Feb. 25, 1794, d. May 4, 1866. He died

Feb. 28, 1855. Mr. Gay settled in Dover, on the Clay brook road, about 1830. He moved here from Needham, his native place. He was a farmer and a respected citizen. Children:

- Samuel D., b. Dec. 16, 1811, res. Pepperell.
- (2) Francis G., b. Nov. 30, 1813, m. Hannah Thorpe.
- Albert C., b. Feb. 16, 1824, res. San Francisco.
- Lucinda P., b. Jan. 5, 1819, m. Apr. 20, 1838, James R. Fisher, Walpole.
- Julia A., b. June 13, 1821, m. William Battelle.
- Caroline C., b. Nov. 2, 1827, m. George M. Tileston, Huntington, L. I.
- Lydia M., b. Feb. 9, 1829, m. Henry Smith, 1850.
- Adaline C., b. Oct. 7, 1831, m. 1849, John M. Brown.

2. Francis G.<sup>2</sup> (Leonard<sup>1</sup>) b. Nov. 30, 1813, m. Dec. 3, 1839. Hannah, dau. Ira and Catherine (Munroe) Thorp, b. in Athol, Aug. 9, 1816, d. Mar. 5, 1869. He d. June 5, 1879. Mr. Gay was born in Needham but came with his father to Dover and lived on the homestead now owned by E. F. Phelps on the Clay brook road. Children:

- Parnel Maria, b. Sept. 10, 1840, m. Dec. 31, 1863, Geo. W. Gutter-son, Lynn.
- Edwin Francis, b. Apr. 22, 1844, d. Jan. 28, 1869.
- Eugene, b. Dec. 14, 1847, d. Aug. 23, 1850.
- Edna Lisette b. Jan. 13, 1852, m. Apr. 14, 1874, Edwin F. Bacon.

## GOOKIN

Daniel<sup>4</sup> Gookin (Richard<sup>3</sup>, Daniel<sup>2</sup>, Daniel<sup>1</sup>) b. Jan. 13, 1725-6, m. Dec. 24, 1761, Hannah Child. She died May 7, 1769, m. 2ndly, Dec. 12, 1771, Mrs. Susanna Whiting, m. 3rdly, Mar. 4, 1784, Finis, dau. William and Hannah (Chenery) Peters of Medfield, b. 1749, d. Putney, Vt., about 1816. He died April 25, 1806, and is buried in Highland Cemetery. He was descended from Maj. Gen. Daniel Gookin of Cambridge, who first made a visit to Virginia when a lad of only 9 years. In 1644 he removed to Boston and then to Cambridge, which place he represented in the General Court. After the capture of Jamaica, Cromwell in 1655 made a determined effort to colonize it with people from New England. While on a visit to England, Daniel Gookin was

selected to accomplish this mission. Although the enterprise failed, it was not the fault of the person selected. Gookin arrived in Boston Dec. 30, 1655, charged with the commission to acquaint the New England Governor of the capture of Jamaica and of Cromwell's desire to settle the island with people "who knew and feared the Lord." Daniel Gookin who settled in Dover was a grandson of the Rev. Daniel Gookin, the first minister of Sherborn, for eight years a fellow of Harvard College, and an assistant to the Apostle Eliot in his Indian work at Natick. Children:

Margaret, b. Nov. 21, 1762.

Lydia, b. Mar. 7, 1765.

Hannah, b. Apr. 22, 1769, m. May 5, 1791, Josiah Reed.

Nathaniel, b. Oct. 7, 1779.

Nathan Peters, b. Aug. 23, 1785, d. Mar. 9, 1787.

Nathan Peters, b. July 4 1788.

### GOULDING

Henry<sup>6</sup> Goulding (John<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Curtis<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Peter<sup>1</sup>) b. Nov. 26, 1813, m. June 8, 1837, H. Emeline, dau. Elijah and Rebecca (Pierce) Edwards of Lincoln, b. Jan. 26, 1816, d. Jan. 14, 1883. He d. July 16, 1884. This family is descended from Capt. John Goulding of Sherborn who purchased Winthrop's grant of 600 acres, to which he added by the division of common lands and by purchase. He was a man of herculean size and strength and his power has been imparted in large measure to his descendants. He is believed to have been a son of Peter Goulding, who was in Boston in 1665, a saddler by trade and one who often appeared in the Courts as an attorney. The family has been prominent in Sherborn since the settlement there of Capt. John Goulding about 1705. Mr. Goulding's mother was married in 1811, and a piece of her wedding dress is still in the family; she spun the flax, wove the linen, and embroidered it six inches deep, filled in with French knots. On her maternal side Mrs. Goulding's ancestor, Elijah Houghton, is reputed to have been one of those who assisted in throwing the tea overboard in Boston harbor.

As no record was ever made of those who took part in the enterprise, their names are preserved only through tradition. Mrs. Goulding's grandfather, Calvin Edwards, was an early manufacturer of wooden clocks at Ashby. Henry Goulding purchased the Plimpton farm, foot of Smith street (James S. Lee place), in 1839. He was much interested in agriculture and was a prominent member of the Norfolk Agricultural Society during the years of its existence. He intended—and this was before the introduction of improved varieties—to have the earliest rhubarb of any family in town. It is believed that through many years Mrs. Goulding never failed to make a rhubarb pie on May 1st, although the stalks were sometimes pretty small. All farmers intended to have peas as early as the 17th of June. Mr. Goulding made investments in modern improvements, and is believed to have been the first purchaser of a sewing machine in town. He died from the effects of an injury received while driving. Children:

Mary, b. Aug. 3, 1839, d. Oct. 2, 1839.

Emeline, b. Oct. 20, 1840, m. Mar. 9, 1863, Warren Blackman.

Mary R., b. Dec. 29, 1842, d. Aug. 6, 1843.

Martha, b. Feb. 7, 1844, m. Feb. 5, 1865, Joshua Parmenter, Natick.

Alice R. b. July 17, 1845, m. Oct. 18 1864, Stephen Moore, res. Newton.

Matilda, b. Mar. 15, 1847, m. Oct. 10, 1888, F. A. Parmenter.

Henry E. b. June 22, 1849, m. Nov. 15, 1874, Julia Gilbert, res. Boston.

Harriet P., b. Apr. 11, 1850, res. Newton.

Elijah, b. Sept. 14, 1851, m. Dec. 25, 1874, Mary L. Coolidge, m. 2ndly Oct. 8, 1890, Estella V. Parmenter, res. Worcester.

Lucy E., b. Nov. 11, 1852, m. Nov. 27, 1873, Freeman A. Parmenter, d. Nov. 1, 1886.

John, b. Feb. 20, 1854, m. Aug. 15, 1877, Ella J. Clark, res. Sudbury.

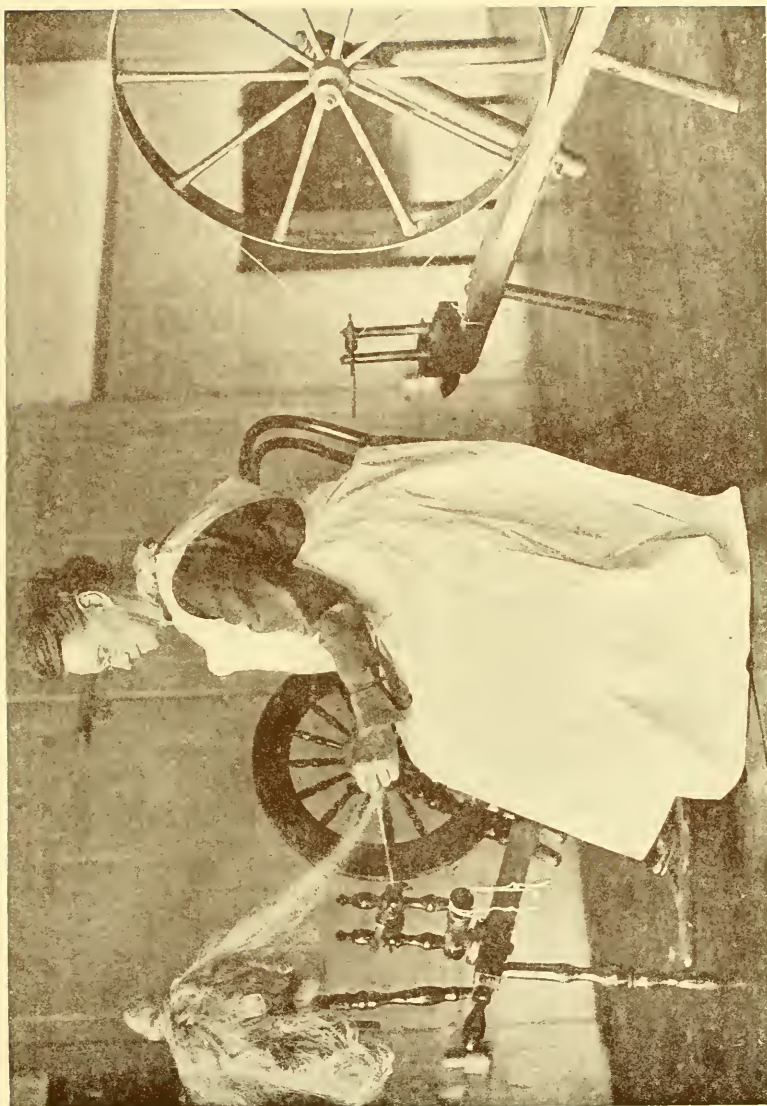
Melvin, b. Oct. 23, 1855, m. Oct. 23, 1882, Abbie Hemenway, res. Natick.

Ella B., b. Nov. 23, 1856, d. Sept. 4, 1871.

Hannah K., b. Oct. 9, 1858, d. Feb. 5, 1859.

## GREEN

William<sup>2</sup> Green (William<sup>1</sup>), b. in Smithfield, R. I., 1812, m. Eliza A., dau. Uriah and Mary Brownell of New Bedford, b.



*Spinning, once common in every Dover home*





*The Joseph Draper House built in 1724*

1813, d. Nov. 8, 1881. He d. Aug. 2, 1881. Mr. Green owned the Koopman place on Farm street. He added to the work of his little farm the duties of sexton of the First Parish Church and labored by the day as he had opportunity. As sexton he was the successor of Isaac Howe, who served the parish for many years. As illustrating his economy it may be stated that he wore on Sundays one pair of boots for twenty-four years. These were never worn except to church and on the occasion of funerals and holidays. Mrs. Green was passionately fond of flowers, and for one with small means had a great variety in her garden. She was interested in the Dover Baptist Church and intended, if there was any residue, after paying numerous small bequests to friends, who had cared for her in years of illness, to have it go to that society, for the support of preaching. All of her little property, however, was consumed by her bequests. Child:

Ansel H., b. Aug., 1841, d. Jan. 4, 1858.

### GRIGGS

1. John<sup>1</sup> Griggs m. May 28, 1741, Mrs. Mehitable Thurston Ellis, d. Sept. 18, 1757. He m. 2ndly, May 4, 1763, Sarah (Day) Wight, widow of David Wight. John Griggs was a petitioner for the organization of the First Parish. He left the parish soon after his second marriage (1763) and moved to Hubbardston. He came to Dover from Brookline. He sold his farm on Dedham street to the Rev. Benjamin Caryl in 1764. Children:

Mehitable, b. Oct. 17, 1741.

Abigail, b. June 29, 1743.

John, b. Mar. 16, 1744.

Jemima, b. Nov. 17, 1747, m. 1766, Cephas Clark.

Samuel, b. Nov. 3, 1749.

Sarah, b. Aug. 28, 1750.

William, b. Aug. 16, 1752.

Gideon, b. Aug. 15, 1754.

2. Reuben<sup>2</sup> (Nathan<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 4, 1782, m. 1809, Lucy, dau. Josiah and Lucy (Richards) Battle, b. Aug. 25, 1785, d. Feb. 24.

1864. He died Dec. 21, 1863. He was a son of Nathan Griggs, a Revolutionary soldier, and was, it is believed, a native of Connecticut. Mr. Grigg's was a shoemaker by trade and united shoemaking with farming. He hammered the oak tanned soles, and with homespun thread, well waxed, closed the seams of the upper leather, and made an honest shoe, the great wearing qualities of which are remembered to this day. He was an intelligent man and being a great lover of books he brought his daughter up to read to him while he worked at his bench; in this way Miss Griggs read aloud most of the books in the Proprietors' Library, which contained some seven hundred carefully selected and standard books, not only to the pleasure of her father, but to her own personal advantage. Mr. Griggs was very fond of trees and flowers and had much accurate knowledge of them, having been for many years a student of both. At one time he lived in Amherst, and much of the ground now occupied by the college buildings was his cow pasture. He returned to Dover about 1823. Child:

Lucy, b. Dec. 25, 1810, m. Apr. 4, 1830, Hiram W. Jones.

### GUY

1. Timothy<sup>1</sup> Guy, m. 1740, Martha, dau. of Jonathan and Bethia (Fiske) Plimpton of Medfield, b. 1710, d. 1788. He m. 2ndly, Oct. 10, 1793, Abigail, dau. Joseph and Abigail Bacon of Sherborn, b. May 22, 1776. Timothy Guy came to this country from Bristol, England. He was a very patriotic citizen. He served in the French and Indian War, was at the siege of Lewisburg, and is reputed to have taken part in throwing the tea overboard in Boston Harbor. This was the first farm settled in the westerly part of Dover, and on it was built the fortification described in the Narrative History of Dover. The buildings were much farther west on Smith street than the present site; the house was on the knoll in the "spring piece" so called, while the barn stood by the spring in the second enclosure. The fortifica-

tion was on the knoll west of the spring. On this farm, in a shallow part of the river, was the "flax place" where in early times the farmers rotted their flax, preparatory to its manufacture into linen. Here also the sheep were washed for shearing in the spring of the year. The present house on this farm is the oldest building in Dover. It was moved from the Perry place in Medfield-Albert Lovell farm and was built not earlier than 1730 or later than 1740. It was first moved by Amos Wight, in 1790, to his place on Farm street. Later it was again moved by Draper Smith to its present location. On this farm are found apple and pear trees, said to have been grown from seed brought over from England. As illustrating the custom of the times, when this house was moved, John Williams, the tavern keeper, was present and mixed grog for the men engaged in the work; it is not unlikely that the whole neighborhood turned out. Children:

- (2) Benjamin, b. Dec. 11, 1746.  
Jonathan b. Feb. 19, 1748-9. d. Jan. 9, 1807.  
Bethshua, b. June 6, 1750.  
Nathan, b. Aug. 14, 1753.

2. Benjamin<sup>2</sup> (Timothy<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 11, 1746, m. Deborah, dau. James and Ruth (Sawin) Morse of Sherborn, b. 1751, d. June 10, 1843. He died Jan. 5, 1817. Mr. Guy was a man of large stature and extraordinary strength; his feats of strength were the admiration of the neighborhood. Mrs. Guy used to go to Boston to market with her produce resting on the horse's back. Children:

- (3) Benjamin, b. Oct. 18, 1779.  
Nathan, b. May 11, 1772. d. Aug. 27, 1774.  
Ezekiel, b. Aug. 2, 1774. settled in Hopkinton and was in the War of 1812.  
Patty, b. Sept. 12, 1777, m. Nov. 20 1794, Ephraim Smith, Sherborn.  
Martha, b. —, d. Jan. 17, 1786.  
Deborah, b. May 4, 1782, d. Apr. 6, 1783.  
Samuel, b. Feb. 14, 1785, died at sea.  
Luther, b. Apr. 2, 1787, lived in Leominster.  
Martin, b. July 16, 1789. d. May 20, 1792.  
Lucinda, b. June 18, 1792, d. Sept. 21, 1803.

3. Benjamin<sup>3</sup> (Benjamin<sup>2</sup>, Timothy<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 18, 1779, m. 1805, Sarah, dau. Jonathan and Mercy (Day) Smith of Medfield, b. 1785, d. about 1850. He went west about 1825.

Mr. Guy was a school teacher, as well as farmer, and is said to have been a fine mathematician. He sold the homestead to Draper Smith and settled in the south part of the town on Hartford street (William Neal place) in 1811. Children:

Harriet, b. Apr. 18, 1806, d. Jan. 9, 1898.

(4) Martin, b. Dec. 11, 1807, d. Mar. 21, 1851.

(5) Timothy, b. Oct. 3, 1809, d. Jan. 28, 1869.

Lucinda, b. Dec. 4, 1811, d. Aug. 8, 1814.

Sarah A., b. Sept. 8, 1815, d. Oct. 8, 1893.

Lucy, b. May 14, 1818, d. Aug. 27, 1820.

Francis H., b. Dec. 14, 1825, d. Oct. 17, 1827.

Catherine M., b. Feb. 14, 1823, d. Oct. 20, 1843.

4. Martin<sup>4</sup> (Benjamin<sup>3</sup>, Benjamin<sup>2</sup>, Timothy<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 11, 1807, m. 1832 Adaline Bailey, b. in Marlboro, 1806, d. Sept. 18, 1858. He died Mar. 21, 1852. Mr. Guy was a blacksmith, also a shoemaker and farmer in a small way. He built, in 1842, a house on Hartford street east of his brother Timothy's farm, and lived there for a time. The old conditions of life as lived here, with present possibilities, are well illustrated by a writer in his description of the village of Humdrum: Its thousand able-bodied men and women, without machinery, and having no intercourse with the rest of the world, must work fourteen hours out of twenty-four that they may all be housed, fed and clothed, warmed and instructed. Some ingenious hands invent water mills, which saw, plane, thrash, grind, spin, weave and do many other things so that these thousand people need work but five hours in the day to obtain the results of the fourteen by the old process. Here, then, a vast amount of time—nine hours in the day—is set free from toil. It may be spent in study, social improvement, the pursuit of a favorite art and leave room for amusement also. Children:

Alonzo E., b. —, d. in infancy.

\*Henry M., b. Oct. 10, 1836, res. Worcester.

\*Served in the Civil War in Co. D, 43 Regt., M. V. M.; enlisted Aug. 25, 1862, 9 months' service. Discharged July 30, 1863. At the time of his enlistment he was boarding in Boston and so was credited to that city. He died Apr. 18, 1913.



5. Timothy<sup>4</sup> (Benjamin<sup>3</sup>, Benjamin<sup>2</sup>, Timothy<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 3, 1809, m. May 8, 1834, Elizabeth C., dau. Eleazer and Esther (Morse) Perry, b. Feb. 14, 1816, d. Jan. 14, 1895. He died Jan. 28, 1868. Mr. Guy lost a leg when a boy of thirteen years. He was riding on an ox sled heavily loaded with wood when he fell in front of the runner. Frightened by the boy's cries, the driver of the team did not have the presence of mind to raise the runner or unload the wood, but whipped up the oxen and drew the load across both legs. One was broken in three places, while the other was ground to a jelly. An amputation was necessary, and the lad, without the aid of an anæsthetic, bore the pain of the amputation, which was performed by Dr. Miller of Franklin, a noted surgeon of his day. Mr. Guy was a boot manufacturer for a time in Medfield, but soon returned to the Dover farm on Hartford street. His six sons all left home and went into business. The grocery trade first engaged their attention in both wholesale and retail branches, but was subsequently given up for the furniture and general house furnishing business. The Guy Furniture Company, with headquarters at Worcester, has been incorporated and is said to be the largest house furnishing establishment in central Massachusetts; branch stores have been established in Springfield, Brockton, Boston, Quincy and Chelsea. The brothers have all given personal attention to their business. The daughters, Emma E. and Mrs. Harriet A. M. Fuller of Salem, are both prominent in church and philanthropic work. Charles W. Guy was elected to the Governor's Council in 1913. Children:

Timothy F., b. Apr. 1, 1837, m. Harriet M. Baker, res. Norwood.

Emily I. E., b. Apr. 28, 1839, d. Nov. 4, 1843.

Benjamin E., b. Aug. 31, 1841, m. Charlotte C. Walker, res. Worcester.

Charles W., b. Oct. 17, 1843, m. Harriet M. Perkins, res. Quincy.

Walter P. b. Nov. 5, 1845, m. Laura A. Baker, res. Worcester.

Catherine J., b. Sept. 7, 1847, d. Apr. 6, 1848.

Elbridge G. T., b. Jan. 17, 1849, m. Merriam S. Enos, res. Worcester.

Adaline E., b. Apr. 12, 1850, m. F. W. Park, Norwood.

Herbert E., b. June 13, 1852 m. Lavinia S. Poor, res. Brockton.

Harriet A. M., b. June 9, 1855, m. Geo. W. Fuller, Salem.



Emma E., b. Oct. 31, 1856.

Lucy A., b. Jan. 27, 1859, m. Frank E. Fuller, Canton.

### HALE

Richard<sup>9</sup> W. Hale (George Silsbee<sup>8</sup>, Salma<sup>7</sup>, David<sup>6</sup>, Joseph<sup>5</sup>, Edmund<sup>4</sup>, Henry<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), son of George Silsbee and Ellen (Sever) Hale, was born in Milton June 30, 1871, married May 14, 1903, Mary Newbold, dau. of Edward and Isabel (Cox) Patterson. For an account of the Hale family see the genealogy of the descendants of Thomas Hale of Watton, England and of Newbury, Mass., published Albany, 1889. Child:

Richard Walden, Jr., b. Aug. 5, 1909.

### HAMMOND

Elnathan<sup>2</sup> Hammond (Elnathan<sup>1</sup>), b. 1783, m. Feb. 14, 1811, Polly, dau. Josiah and Keziah (Knowlton) Draper, b. July 4, 1788, d. May 2, 1862. He d. May 21, 1860. Mr. Hammond came to Dover from Bridgewater, Vt. He first entered the employ of Capt. Josiah Newell. After his marriage he returned to Bridgewater, where several of his children were born. He finally returned to Dover with his family. He was captain of a militia company in Vermont. Children:

Mary Ann, b. Apr. 3, 1812, d. 1836.

Elnathan, b. May 23, 1816, res. Sherborn.

Abigail D., b. Aug. 12, 1818, m. 1840, John R. Paine.

Josiah D., b. Aug. 14, 1821, d. Oct. 16, 1823.

Kaziah, b. —, m. 1851, Joseph B. Page, Boston.

Josiah D., b. June 24, 1827, m. Oct. 25, 1853, Ellen A. Powers.

### HANCHETT

1. Dana<sup>5</sup> C. Hanchett (William<sup>4</sup> T., Ebenezer<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 11, 1846, m. June 18, 1876, Ida Betsey, dau. James and Mary O. (Bullard), Draper b. Feb. 9, 1855. The Hanchett's are said to be of French origin. Thomas Hanchett

settled in Suffield, Conn., in 1732. His grandson, Ebenezer, from whom the Dover family is descended, lived in Dracut.

Dana C. Hanchett lived on Glen street with his brother-in-law, J. Franklin Richards, for a time. The house which they built in 1878 was burned in 1900. He has a milk route in Natick and Wellesley. Children:

Olive Gertrude, b. June 12, 1877.

Dana Childs, b. Dec. 26, 1878.

Ellen Draper, b. May 12, 1881.

(3) George Draper, b. May 12, 1883.

James Malcolm, b. Mar. 6, 1887.

2. Chester<sup>5</sup> (William T.<sup>4</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 25, 1848, m. Apr. 17, 1877, Rosella M., dau. Henry and Ursula Maria (Colby), Sedgewick, b. April 8, 1855.

Mr. Hanchett worked for many years in his father's shoe shop at South Natick and has continued in the business at the head of a department since the purchase of the Dover farm in 1881. Children:

Chester, b. Nov. 2, 1878, d. Nov. 18, 1904.

Homer, b. Nov. 2, 1878, m. Feb. 10, 1906, Mary A. Sutton, Needham.

Ethel, b. Mar. 2, 1880, d. Apr. 14, 1901.

Edna, b. Mar. 2, 1880, d. Nov. 25, 1899.

3. George<sup>6</sup> Draper (Dana Childs<sup>5</sup>, William T.<sup>4</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. May 12, 1883, m. Oct. 6, 1909, Georgia Elizabeth, dau. George H. and Adelaide E. (Wight) Thompson, b. Sept. 10, 1888. Children:

Ruth Draper, b. Dec. 7, 1911.

Margery Thompson, b. May 25, 1913.

George Draper, b. Feb. 23, 1915.

## HANKS

Henry<sup>2</sup> J. Hanks (Christopher<sup>1</sup>), b. April 20, 1833, m. Sept. 10, 1855, Sarah A., dau. Daniel and Mary (Corliss) Mann, b. Oct. 9, 1838. He d. Feb. 13, 1897. Mr. Hanks lived in Dover for a time and later moved to Medfield where he was a druggist. He was descended from Christopher Hanks who was

born in Pennsylvania; and bound out when only eight years of age to learn the trade of a paper maker in Philadelphia. He later came to Dover and worked in the paper mills at Charles River, finally settling in Needham. Children:

Arabella, b. Feb. 27, 1859, d. Mar. 28, 1859.

Sadie A., b. June 23, 1877.

### HARDING

John<sup>6</sup> Harding (Nathan<sup>5</sup>, Moses<sup>4</sup>, Abraham<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Abraham<sup>1</sup>), son of Nathan and Dorcas (Fisher) Harding, was b. 1779, m. April 10, 1810, Julia, dau. Ebenezer and Hannah (Allen) Battelle, b. May 12, 1784, d. Mar. 6, 1856. He died July 11, 1850. Mr. Harding is supposed to be descended from Abraham Harding who was in Braintree as early as 1648. Marrying into the Battelle family he had a farm from that estate, Comiskey place on Main street, junction of Haven street. He was a highly respected citizen, quiet and unassuming. His son, Fisher Harding, fitted for Harvard with the town minister, Rev. Dr. Sanger, and read law in the office of Daniel Webster in Boston. He settled in Detroit, Mich., and was a lawyer of great promise, having a large clientage, when he was cut off by typhoid fever. He died greatly lamented by all. His sister, Miss Julia Harding, was public spirited, and much interested in the history of the town; her treasury of facts and records greatly enriched the Narrative History of Dover. Miss Harding willed her farm to the First Parish Church, and provided for the improvement of the cemetery, the building of a porch to the First Parish Meeting House, and the enlargement of the endowment of the Parish Library, but dying suddenly her will, which had been drawn and left unsigned, was of no effect and her estate went to fifteen cousins, some of whom living in the Far West had never heard of her. Children:

Fisher Ames, b. June 23, 1811, graduated from Harvard, 1833, d.

Aug. 4, 1844, Detroit, Mich.

Julia Ann, b. Feb. 21, 1812, d. Nov. 1, 1888.

John Battle, b. Aug. 10, 1814, d. Nov. 10, 1879.

## HART

1. William<sup>2</sup> Hart (John<sup>1</sup>), b. in Colrairie, m. Betsey, dau. Jonathan and Betsey (Maddock) Hatch, b. Oct 18, 1824. Lived on the Clay brook road. Mr. Hart was a son of Susan (Parker) Hart, widow of John Hart who bought land on Cross street in 1848 and moved thereon a house which she bought of Mason Richards. This property continued in the family for many years. Mrs. Hart was descended from the Parkers of Roxbury for whom so many places are now named including Parker hill. As her family had been for many generations connected with Roxbury she used to tell many Revolutionary incidents which are still recalled by her descendants. Children:

- (2) William G., b. Oct. 14, 1847.  
Timothy W., b. Feb. 4, 1842.  
Melissa, b. 1852.  
Nancy S., b. 1854.
- (3) George, b. May 15, 1847.

2. William<sup>3</sup> G. (William<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 14, 1847, m. July 24, 1868, Anna M., dau. John S. and Elizabeth (Joy) Nuttage, b. June 6, 1855. Children:

- Frank E., b. Mar. 21, 1872, res. Needham.
- Lewis E., b. Mar. 30, 1875, res. Needham.
- Walter N., b. Oct. 18, 1877, res. New Bedford.
- Chester G., b. Oct. 14, 1880, d. Feb. 25, 1893.
- Laura Alice, b. Feb. 8, 1883, res. Needham.
- Harry C., b. Jan. 7, 1888, d. Aug. 11, 1899.

3. George<sup>3</sup> (William<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. May 15, 1857, m. Sept. 3, 1879, Lydia Frances, dau. Francis Henry and Elizabeth Quincy (Burns) Dewing, b. Nov. 17, 1861. Children:

- Nellie G., b. Mar. 17, 1880, m. Harry Anthony, res. Natick.
- Henry G., b. Mar. 17, 1882, m. Annie Murry, res. Needham.
- Charlotte M., b. Aug. 19, 1890, d. Sept. 1, 1891.
- Orraetta, b. Mar. 31, 1892, d. Nov. 19 1893.

## HARTSHORN

1. Obed<sup>2</sup> Hartshorn (Moses<sup>1</sup>), son of Moses and Elizabeth (Smith) Hartshorn was b. in Medfield, March 30, 1761, m. July 22, 1790, Sarah, dau. Jonathan and Lois (Clark) Wight, b. Dec. 27, 1764, d. May 16, 1864. He d. Feb. 17, 1843. Mr. Hartshorn was probably in the fourth generation from Thomas Hartshorn who was an early settler in Reading where his descendants have lived for many years and where he was a freeman in 1648. He settled on Farm street near the Medfield line and carried on for many years the work of a blacksmith in connection with his farm. Children:

Sally, b. Apr. 7, 1791, d. Dec. 16, 1875.

Rebecca, b. Aug. 23, 1796, m. Dec. 27, 1855, Moses Richardson.

Moses, b. Aug. 21, 1798, d. Feb. 17, 1869.

(2) Obed, b. Oct. 23, 1802.

2. Obed<sup>3</sup> (Obed<sup>2</sup>, Moses<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 25, 1802, m. 1835 Silence, dau. Horatio and Elizabeth (Harding) Adams of Medway, b. March 12, 1812, d. May 16, 1904. He d. July 12, 1880. Mr. Hartshorn was a farmer and lived on the homestead. His interests were largely in Medfield, as the family always attended church and school there. While Dover had no active abolitionists she had in the Free soilers sympathizers with the cause. Public meetings were held in Noanet hall in the early fifties to assist in the struggle to admit Kansas as a free state. While residents were only mildly in sympathy with the anti-slavery movement, yet it seems well to present here the picture of the lot of the agitator as given by the Hon. Theodore D. Weld, of our own county, himself a noble orator and a sufferer in the cause. The Abolitionists, he says, "were the victims of an indiscriminate ostracism. Everywhere they were doomed because they hated slavery and lived out that hate. In thousands of cases they were subjected to personal assaults, beatings, and buffetings, with nameless indignities. They were driven from their homes to the fields and the woods and their houses burned. They were dragged and thrust from the halls in which they held their meetings. They were smeared with filth, stripped of cloth-



ing, tarred, feathered, ridden upon rails, their houses sacked, bonfires made of their furniture and bedding, their domestic animals cropped and crippled. Often they were shot at and sometime killed." Child:

Josephine M., b. Feb. 8, 1842, m. Feb. 11, 1867, Stillman J. Spear, res. Medfield.

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Note.—Mrs. Sarah (Wight) Hartshorn attained as far as known the greatest age of any resident of Dover, having lived to be 99 years, 4 months, 19 days. Mrs. Hartshorn came from a family of remarkable longevity, her mother, Margaret (Fairbanks) Wight, of Medfield, lived to be 103 years old; her father, Jonathan Wight, lived to be 97 years old, while a daughter of Esther (Wight) Caryl, born in Dover in 1750, attained to nearly 103 years.

### HASTINGS

Elijah<sup>6</sup> Hastings (Elijah<sup>5</sup>, Hopestill<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. May 4, 1791, m. May 25, 1813, Rebecca, dau. Ebenezer and Rebecca (Richards) Smith, b. Nov. 27, 1792, d. Aug. 29, 1870. He d. Oct. 1834. The name Hastings is of an illustrious family in history and the race to which it applies is of Danish origin. Thomas Hastings, aged 29, and wife Susanna, aged 34, embarked at Ipswich, England, Apr. 10, 1634, in the ship Elizabeth, for New England and settled at Watertown. He had a lot assigned him at Dedham in 1635 or 36, but never lived there. He was a prominent man in Watertown, holding various offices, and was for a long time a deacon in the First Church. It was always an occasion of pride to many residents, some of whom are now living\*, that they took part in the welcome which was extended to Lafayette when he revisited this country. Quite a number from this Parish—Fourth Parish of Dedham—had taken part in his land expedition to drive the English out of Newport, R. I., and he was affectionately remembered by others for his gallant service to this country. On the morning of Oct. 24, 1824, the whole population of Boston and the surrounding country turned out to meet Lafayette. An arch was erected on Boston Neck, under which he rode, which bore an inscription which is still recalled:

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\*Sketch written in 1900.

Welcome Lafayette,  
 The fathers in glory shall sleep  
 That gathered with thee to fight  
 But the sons will eternally keep  
 The tablet of gratitude bright.  
 We bow not the neck, we bend not the knee,  
 But our hearts, Lafayette, we surrender to thee.

The late Mrs. Ellen J. Harding of Weymouth held in memory the visit of Gen. Lafayette and had a pitcher which was made to commemorate his visit; it held two quarts and was decorated with mottoes and had on one side a picture of Lafayette and on the other a likeness of Washington. Elijah Hastings lived in Dover for a time. When the Hartford turnpike was built in 1806, the Dover tollgate was the first one on the pike. The gate was at first swung from the corner of the house now owned by William Neal. Later a gatehouse was built near the residence of the late William Tisdale-Schaffner farm. Mr. Hastings collected the tolls and lived here with his family in the toll house for several years. He was a tanner by trade. He moved in 1823 to Schenectady, N. Y. His wife made the trip with their children, unattended, and forded the Connecticut river. Children:

Elijah A., b. Mar. 3, 1815, d. June 10, 1832.

†Ellen J., b. June 18, 1817, m. Apr. 23, 1841, Joseph Harding, Weymouth.

‡Ann E. C., b. Sept. 26, 1819, d. May 23, 1871, Harrisburg, Pa.

†Henry J., b. Oct. 23, 1821, d. Feb. 22, 1852, Rochester, N. Y.

†Oscar H., b. Oct. 22, 1823, res. Oswego, N. Y.

Edward M., b. Mar. 19, 1826, d. July 20, 1850.

Margaret F., b. May 2, 1828, m. Alfred Terrell, Weymouth.

Charles W., b. June 19, 1831, res. Weymouth.

Albert E., b. June 18, 1834, d. Aug. 2, 1876.

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†Born in Dover.

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‡Married Norman Bennett, their daughter, Fredericka Bennett, is the wife of Gen. S. S. Sumner, U. S. A.

## HAVEN

1. Joseph<sup>4</sup> Haven (Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Moses<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>), son of Joseph and Martha (Walker) Haven was born in Framingham Feb. 7, 1717, m. Dec. 28, 1737, Miriam Bayley, d. Oct. 12, 1755, m. 2ndly Mar. 2, 1757, Mrs. Rebecca, widow of Joseph Chickering, and dau. Josiah and Hannah (Fisher) Newell, b. Jan. 27, 1717, d. Apr. 11, 1792. He d. Feb. 22, 1801. Richard Haven, who came from the west of England and settled in Lynn in 1644-5, was the progenitor of the Dover family which was prominent in the early history of the Parish. Nothing is known of Richard Haven previous to his settlement in America. He has a numerous posterity which is remarkable for its large number of college graduates. Joseph Haven was the first of the family to settle in Dover. He was elected a deacon of the First Parish Church on its organization in 1762. After his second marriage he settled in Dover with his young family and lived on the farm of Mrs. Haven's former husband, Joseph Chickering. Dea. Haven was active in his services to his fellow citizens; he was paid in 1778 for "lead and flints" furnished the town, seven pounds and two shillings. He was also paid for "numbering the people." He constantly served the town and parish on important committees. He was a cordwainer by trade. Children:

Elias, b. Oct. 28, 1738, d. Jan. 12, 1742.

(2) Elias, b. June 18, 1742.

Lydia, b. Aug. 25, 1744, m. Jonathan Hall, Paris, Maine.

Joseph, b. May 14, 1744, graduated Harvard, 1774, res. Rochester, N. H.

(3) Noah, b. June 17, 1749.

Obadiah, b. July 24, 1751.

John, b. June 18, 1754, graduated Harvard, 1776, was a ship surgeon and died at sea. Taught the Springfield Parish school in 1777.

2. Elias<sup>5</sup> (Joseph<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Moses<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>), b. June 18, 1742, m. June 14, 1764, Jemima, dau. Jonathan and Anna (Bul-lard) Whiting, b. June 17, 1742. He was killed in the engagement with the British near the Arlington Meeting-house April

19, 1775. Mrs. Haven was a woman of strong character, and when told of her husband's death and asked if his body should be returned, replied, "No, let him be buried where he fell." Mr. Haven had a small farm on Farm street now owned by J. Story Fay 3d. Children:

- (4) Elias, b. Oct. 30, 1765.

Abigail, b. June 4, 1767, m. June 11, 1788, Jesse Bacon.

Jemima, b. Apr. 18, 1769, m. June 1, 1791, David Everett, Dedham.

3. Noah<sup>5</sup> (Joseph<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Moses<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 17, 1749, m. Nov. 14, 1775 Olive Kingsbury and for a time lived in Holden, where he was a prominent citizen and held the offices of town clerk, selectman and assessor. In middle life he returned to Dover and was a most respected citizen, holding the office of deacon in the First Parish Church. Children:

John, b. Nov. 19, 1778.

Noah, b. Nov. 20, 1780.

Rufus, b. May 18, 1783.

Joseph, b. June 19, 1786, graduated Harvard, 1810, res. Dennis.

Olive, b. July 28, 1788.

4. Elias<sup>6</sup> (Elias<sup>5</sup>, Joseph<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Moses<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 30, 1765, m. Rebecca. He lived on the homestead on Farm street. Mr. Haven moved from Dover to Chesterfield, New Hampshire, about 1790, where he lived until 1802, when he took his family to Oneida County, New York. He died about 1850, and is buried at Sangersfield, New York. He had five sons and five daughters, of whom seven were born after leaving Dover. Children:

Elias, b. Feb. 22, 1788.

John, b. July 7, 1789.

Olive, m. Apr. 10, 1810, Stephen Kingsbury, Franklin.

## HERRING

1. Samuel<sup>4</sup> Herring (Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 30, 1713, m. Anna. He was descended from Thomas Herring.



*The Obed Harishorn House built in 1790*





*Eben Higgins' House. Eliphalet Chickering settlement, 1730*



who with his wife, Mary, was admitted to the Dedham Church in 1651. He came here from Dorchester. Samuel Herring was an early settler in the Springfield Parish. He was seated in the meeting-house in 1762 and members of the family continued to live here for many years. The homestead was on Hartford street, but was long since abandoned. Benjamin, who settled in Dedham, had the improvement of certain apple trees on his father's farm at the southwest corner of the old orchard which was conveyed to him during the life of the trees. Orchards were of great value as much cider was manufactured. The great number of cider mills in the early settlement of the town has been often noted.\* Children:

Benjamin, b. Oct. 21, 1738.

Mary, b. Mar. 16, 1745.

Rebecca, b. Feb. 23, 1749. m. May 14, 1777, Josiah Whittemore, Walpole, m. 2ndly, Jeremiah Day, Jr.

Sarah, b. June 28, 1754.

2. Thomas<sup>5</sup> (Samuel<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 16, 1745, m. Apr. 30, 1774, Elizabeth Clark. She m. 2ndly Aug. 12, 1795, James Clapp of Medfield. He died previous to 1791. Thomas occupied with his family the west half of the homestead. Children:

Thomas, b. Jan. 8, 1775, settled in Brookfield.

Oates, b. Nov. 6, 1776.

Olive, b. Aug. 11, 1778.

Elizabeth, b. Oct. 10, 1780.

Hannah, b. Aug. 27, 1783.

Lavinia, b. Aug. 30, 1785.

Mary, b. Sept. 22, 1790.

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Note.—Lemuel Herring and Petetiah Herring were residents of the Parish at the time of the Revolution.

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\*See map in "Dover Farms."

## HIGGINS

Jedediah<sup>10</sup> W. Higgins (Joseph<sup>9</sup>, Jedediah<sup>8</sup>, Joseph<sup>7</sup>, Jedediah<sup>6</sup>, Eleazer<sup>5</sup>, Benjamin<sup>4</sup>, Benjamin<sup>3</sup>, Benjamin<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>), son of Joseph and Hannah (Paine) Higgins, was b. Apr. 4, 1857. m. June 23, 1887, Amy H., dau. Cornelius and Charlotte

(Wight) Sullivan, b. Mar. 16, 1854. He d. Mar. 28, 1909. Mr. Higgins was descended in the tenth generation from Richard Higgins, a tailor who came from England in the ship *Ann* in 1623; he was made a freeman in Plymouth in 1633, and was a member of Gov. Prince's company, who settled Eastham. Mr. Higgins was also descended on his maternal side from the Mayflower Pilgrims. Jedediah Higgins sixth was the progenitor of the Truro family, where the subject of this sketch was born. Mr. Higgins was the town storekeeper and was for many years a prominent citizen. He served Dover on many important committees, was chairman of the board of selectmen for some years and at the time of his death was the town treasurer. Mr. Higgins was much interested in temperance and was clerk of the Massachusetts Total Abstinence Society. Children:

Evalyn D., b. May 26, 1889, graduated Boston University, 1911.

Helen Bernice, b. Jan. 1, 1891, d. Nov. 5, 1897.

J. Russell, b. July 4, 1893.

Eliot W., b. Dec. 11, 1895, student Tufts College.

Wendell B., b. Sept. 13, 1900.

2. Eben<sup>7</sup> (Eben<sup>6</sup>, Eben<sup>5</sup>, Jacob<sup>4</sup>, Isaac<sup>3</sup>, Benjamin<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>), son of Eben and Susan (Sears) Higgins, was born in Brewster, May 12, 1818. He went to work at eight years of age on the little farm of a neighbor to help support the family his father having been incapacitated by the loss of a leg. He did the planting, cared for the crops, and harvested them alone. At twelve he engaged in wood chopping with his brother. In his fifteenth year he shipped as a cabin boy on a square rigger bound for a Russian port. Later he went to New Orleans, where the vessel in which he sailed was condemned as unseaworthy and sold. In New Orleans he ran across another boy about his own age and they both sailed for Boston with Capt. Bangs. His companion was the father of Hon. George Fred Williams. He later sailed with Capt. Elias Davis of Gloucester, who took an interest in the young sailor and sent him to a school kept by Master Moore, who taught ambitious sailors navigation. He worked up through the grades of seaman, able-

seaman, second mate, mate, to master. Capt. Higgins sailed on many ships; it is recalled that he was at one time in command of the brig Sarah Ann, which was engaged in the West India and South America trade. Capt. Higgins made many voyages to warm countries, bringing back cargoes of sugar, molasses, coffee, cocoa and other tropical products. During the later years of his service he was located in Dutch Guiana, where he acted as agent for the owners of cargoes consigned to him which he sold and then reloaded the vessels with products which he bought from the plantations in the interior. These cargoes were floated down the streams on flat-boats. He was engaged in this service in a country only 5 degrees north of the equator. Capt. Higgins retired at the age of forty-five and bought the Dover farm, where he lived for seven years. He then bought land in Newtonville, where his sons had settled, and built a house, where he spent the remaining years of his life. He married July 15, 1841, Lydia, dau. of John and Lydia (Sargent) Tucker, b. in Gloucester, Jan. 5, 1819, d. Sept. 14, 1908. He d. May 23, 1880. Children born in Gloucester:

Lydia Ann, b. Apr., 1843, m. Abraham Bigelow.

(3) Eben, b. Mar. 31, 1845.

Willard Sears, b. May 23, 1847, res. Newtonville.

Susan Abby, b. Nov. 29, 1849, m. Roger S. Battelle, d. Jan. 14, 1872.

Howard Holbrook, b. Oct. 6, 1852, d. Dec. 16, 1852.

3. Eben<sup>8</sup> (Eben<sup>7</sup>, Eben<sup>6</sup>, Eben<sup>5</sup>, Jacob<sup>4</sup>, Isaac<sup>3</sup>, Benjamin<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 31, 1845, m. Sept. 15, 1868, Sarah A., dau. of Lewis and Maria (Holbrook) Goulding, b. Sept. 15, 1845. Mr. Higgins has been for many years a contractor as well as farmer. He has held many town offices of trust and responsibility. Children:

\*Eben Edward, b. Nov. 2, 1871, m. Jan. 1, 1902, Nina Maud, dau.

Joseph and Melissa L. (Adams) Ashley, res. Fitchburg. Children:

Mildred Ashley, b. Oct. 12, 1902. Beatrice Irene, b. Mar. 30, 1905.

Lois Goulding, b. Mar. 28, 1906, Hazel Adeline, b. Oct. 29, 1907.

He d. in Fitchburg, Feb. 2, 1908.

\*Charles Herbert, b. Feb. 23, 1875, m. Oct. 22, 1901, Jane Ruth Hill.

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\*Born in Newton.

Quebec. Children: Ruth Dorothy, b. Ottawa, Oct. 26, 1902. Herbert Hall, b. May 17, 1907.  
Lydia Adeline, b. Jan. 27, 1884.

## HILL

1. William<sup>2</sup> Hill (Mathew<sup>1</sup>), b. in London, England, Mar. 14, 1803, m. Jan. 12, 1828, Catherine Chalmers of Fifeshire, Scotland, b. Dec. 18, 1808, d. July 26, 1867. He died June 4, 1876. His father, Mathew Hill, married Lady Mary Gilbraith of St. Minnius Sterlingshire, Scotland. Mr. Hill purchased under the firm name of William Hill & Son the Noanet Mills in Dover in 1859 and commenced the manufacture of roofing paper, which was largely used during the civil war in building hospitals throughout the south. In 1869 they built a new mill on the Needham side of Charles river and engaged in the manufacture of Manila paper. After the death of William Hill, Jr., in 1873, the business was carried on by his father until his death in 1876. His surviving son, Edward Hill, then took the business and carried it on until the mills were destroyed by fire Oct. 12, 1887. The mill on the Needham side of the river was sold to E. H. Sampson of Boston, who manufactured leather board here for a year. In 1888 the mills again came into the Hill family and the manufacture of book, newspaper and manila paper was carried on by Edward Hill. In 1891 he sold the property to Frank H. Brown of Bellows Falls, Vt. Children:

(2) Edward, b. May 30, 1829.

Agnes, b. Jan. 4, 1839, m. Geo. R. Davidson.

Mary A., b. Apr. 19, 1842, m. Robert Smith.

Jennie C., b. Apr. 11, 1851, m. John F. Wall.

Eliza, b. Jan. 31, 1846, d. June 16, 1865.

William, b. June 7, 1830, d. Dec. 12, 1873, res. Charles River.

2. Edward<sup>3</sup> (William<sup>2</sup>, Mathew<sup>1</sup>), b. May 30, 1829, m. May 16, 1857, Mary J. Hutchinson of Sackville, N. B., d. Mar. 14, 1893, m. 2ndly Feb. 26, 1895, Mary V., dau. Chester and Eliza-



*An abandoned homestead. The Fisher-Barden place*





*Hodgson's Portable House Village*



beth (Leavitt) Campbell. He now resides in Needham. Children:

Willard D., b. Mar. 6, 1858.

Edwin R., b. June 16, 1865.

### HODGSON

Ernest<sup>2</sup> Franklin Hodgson (Thomas<sup>1</sup>), son of Thomas and Caroline (Bentley) Hodgson, was born in Medford, May 20, 1871, m. in Glencarlyn, Va., Aug. 11, 1898, Florence, dau. Asa T. and Susan (Jeffers) Stowell. Thomas Hodgson was a watch maker by trade and came to America from England in 1835. Mr. Hodgson is the manufacturer of the Wigwam Portable House. His large factory is kept busy in supplying this popular house which is now used in all parts of the country. His business has been developed from the manufacture, in a small way, of the Peep o' Day Incubator and Peep o' Day Brooder, of which he is the original patentee. Children:

Richard Stowell, b. Mar. 12, 1905.

Geraldine, b. Sept. 6, 1908.

Marion Bentley, b. Apr. 15, 1916.

### HOPKINS

James<sup>9</sup> Cleveland Hopkins (George<sup>8</sup> J. Solomon<sup>7</sup>, Solomon<sup>6</sup>, Seth<sup>5</sup>, Benjamin<sup>4</sup>, Steven<sup>3</sup>, Gyles<sup>2</sup>, Steven<sup>1</sup>), son of George J. and Fanny Marietta (Hunt) Hopkins, b. in Boston, Dec. 25, 1873, m. Jan. 8, 1908, Mary Gould, dau. Horace and Louisa Goddard (Gould) McMurtrie. Mr. Hopkins has the distinction of being descended from two passengers in the Mayflower, Stephen Hopkins and his son Gyles. It was to Stephen Hopkins and his wife Elizabeth that a son was born on the voyage whom they named Oceanus. Referring to the Pilgrims, Minot J. Savage once said: "I would rather be able to trace my ancestry back to the Pilgrims than along any other line that the history of the world has ever seen, nobles, kings, emperors not excepted. This little handful of Pilgrims created the

mould into which this great republic of ours has been run. No matter where the rest of the people came from, from what ever country on the face of the earth, they have been dominated, controlled, shaped, their destiny marked out, by these forty-one Pilgrims in the cabin of the Mayflower. They gave form to our government and everything that has happened to us since has come along the lines which they laid down." Mr. Hopkins is a member of the firm of Kilham & Hopkins, architects, Boston. Children:

Louisa McMurtrie, b. Dec. 8, 1908.

Mary McMurtrie, b. Mar. 22, 1910.

Charlotte Gordon, b. Nov. 16, 1911.

James Cleveland, b. July 25, 1914.

## HORTON

1. Henry<sup>2</sup> Horton (Cushing<sup>1</sup>), b. May 10, 1815, m. Dec. 2, 1836, Abigail K., dau. of Samuel and Rebecca Mayo, b. July 20, 1815, d. Feb. 5, 1868. He d. 1875. Mr. Horton was for fifteen years a prominent citizen of Dover. He was a member of the board of selectmen, school committee and represented the district in the General Court. He was a farmer and owned the Charles S. Damrell place on Main street. Mr. Horton was a native of Eastham, and d. in Chelsea. Children:

Melissa H., b. Sept. 18, 1837, d. Feb. 2, 1842.

Mary A. P., b. July 25, 1839, m. 1858, John McKay, Malden.

(2) Henry H., b. Aug. 2, 1841, m. 1864, Martha Allen, Dover.

Melissa H., b. Aug. 26, 1843, m. James F. Ward, d. 1893, in Everett.

James W., b. Feb. 21, 1846, m. 1870, Emma Griggs, Needham.

Ella, b. Aug. 15, 1848, res. Malden.

Charles S., b. May 11, 1851, m. 1892, Ella Montgomery, res. Marysville, Montana.

George F., b. June 23, 1855, m. 1880, Emma L. Hatch, Needham.

2. Henry<sup>3</sup> H. (Henry<sup>2</sup>, Cushing<sup>1</sup>) b. Aug. 1841, m. June 22, 1865, Martha Antoinette, dau. David E. and Martha Ann (Whitney) Allen, b. Aug. 10, 1841. He d. Jan. 19, 1914. Children:

Clara Ashton, b. Aug. 19, 1867, d. Aug. 19, 1867.

Henry Ellis, b. Dec. 8, 1869, m. Lillian Hatch, res. Hornell, N. Y.

Edward Smith b. Feb. 15, 1873, d. Jan. 27, 1885.

### HOWARD

James<sup>2</sup> O. Howard (Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. 1842, m. June 1871, Martha L. dau. Linus and Martha (Soule) Bliss, b. Nov. 22, 1849. He d. April 27, 1878. Mr. Howard was born in Bethel, Maine. He worked for his father-in-law, Linus Bliss. His son, James O. was in the Spanish War and served on the Brooklyn in the naval fight at Santiago. Children:

George L., b. June 22, 1872.

James O., b. Dec. 21, 1874.

### HOWE

1. Isaac<sup>6</sup> Howe (Isaac<sup>5</sup>, Isaac<sup>4</sup>, Isaac<sup>3</sup>, Abraham<sup>2</sup>, Abraham<sup>1</sup>), son of Isaac and Lois (Dadman) Howe, was b. Jan. 7, 1788, m. Oct. 24, 1819, Betsey Stowe, dau. Capt. John and Sally (Stowe) Williams, b. Oct. 25, 1801, d. Nov. 23, 1889. He d. Sept. 25, 1878. He was descended from Abraham Howe, who was born in England and died in Roxbury in 1676. He was made a freeman at Roxbury, May 2, 1638. Mr. Howe was a member of John Eliot's Church in Roxbury. In 1645 he was one of the signers of a covenant to found a "free school in the town of Roxbury." This school has had a continuous existence ever since, and is now known as the Roxbury Latin School. Isaac Howe was born in Framingham. His father was for seven years and six months, most of the time a private, in the Revolutionary War, a record which is unequalled in the archives of Massachusetts. The Rev. Israel Loring of Sudbury wrote, Isaac Howe of Framingham departed this life (about 1752) a man not over-flowing with wealth. In his house were to be seen no curious beauties, set out with plates and china-ware, no papered, nor painted nor gilded rooms, no costly dishes, none of these, nor such like

things. No, but on the contrary, marks of poverty were there to be seen. However, in this man's house dwelt one of the excellences of the earth, one rich in faith and an heir of the kingdom."

Isaac Howe settled in Dover some time previous to his marriage and for a number of years kept the tavern and store in connection. He lived at one time in the house occupied by the late Frederick H. Wight on Centre street. Here some of his children were born. He was for many years postmaster and the town sexton. Mrs. Howe was very domestic and her ideals of a wife and mother and keeper of the family comfort were of such an order that she could never have been a public woman or have the inclination to shape politics, even indirectly. Children:

Sarah Elizabeth, b. Jan. 17, 1821, m. Albert L. Smith.

Louisa Battelle, b. Mar. 9, 1823, m. Joseph A. Smith.

John Williams, b. Dec. 19, 1825, d. Dec. 20, 1825.

Mary Williams, b. May 10, 1828, m. Abner L. Smith.

John Williams, b. Sept. 10, 1830, m. Mary E. Bacon.

Martha Ann, b. May 9, 1834, d. Sept. 11, 1914.

George Luther, b. Oct. 6, 1837, d. Sept. 14, 1907.

Isaac Henry, b. Aug. 27, 1844, m. Abbie M. Proctor. He d. Jan. 25, 1871.

2. Alonzo<sup>2</sup> (Eli<sup>1</sup>), son Eli and Solome (Andrews) Howe, was b. in Maine, m. May 19, 1839, Lucy R., dau. John and Betsey (Battle) Brown, d. March 27, 1842, m. secondly, April 27, 1843, Nancy Andrews. He moved to Bethel, Maine, where he died about 1850. He was a carpenter and built in 1840, the house on Main street owned by the late Capt. Damrell. Children:

Jane Elizabeth, b. 1840, d. May 7, 1842.

Edward Brown, b. 1842, d. Sept. 15, 1842.

3. Albion<sup>2</sup> K. (Eli<sup>1</sup>), b. April 7, 1821, m. Jan. 20, 1846, Eliza, dau. Mason and Kezia (Perry) Brown, b. Feb. 12, 1827, d. Jan. 17, 1914. He d. in Wellesley, Aug. 31, 1882. Albion Howe, whose father was b. in Marlboro, was probably descended from Ebenezer Howe, of Brookfield, who had several descendants by

the name of "Albion," and of whom was Gen. Albion Paris Howe, who served with distinction in the Mexican war, also in the Civil war. Mr. Howe was a carpenter and lived on the John Brown place on Farm street. He held many offices in Dover of trust and responsibility. Children:

Emma E., b. Feb. 1, 1847, m. Nov. 1, 1868, Chester A. Bigelow.

Marion M., b. Feb. 14, 1848, m. Apr. 3, 1868, Samuel Bliss.

Eugene, b. Nov. 27, 1852, d. Apr. 5, 1854.

Eugene, b. Nov. 23, 1859, m. Apr. 26, 1892, Sarah Spaulding.

4. William<sup>2</sup> A. (Eli<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 22, 1825, m. Jan. 16, 1852, Joanna D., dau. John and Mary D. (Bacon) DeMerritt, b. Nov. 8, 1830. He d. Jan. 21, 1896. Mr. Howe held many town offices. He was a carpenter and manufacturer of shoe-filling. He lived on Main street, where James D. Mann now lives. Children:

Clara Ann, b. Mar. 27, 1854, m. Sept. 19, 1887, John N. Ellsworth, Jr.

Mary Helen, b. Jan. 18, 1857, d. Nov. 19, 1862.

William Babcock, b. July 18, 1860, d. Nov. 11, 1862.

Nellie Jane, b. Sept. 7, 1862, d. Dec. 1, 1862.

Mabel DeMerritt, b. June 21, 1865, m. Dec. 31, 1886, Chester C. Fuller.

Minot G., b. Dec. 18, 1871, d. Mar. 11, 1872.

## JENNISON

Luther<sup>2</sup> P. Jennison (Nathan<sup>1</sup>), b. in Needham Aug. 27, 1815, m. July 2, 1840, Rebecca Battelle, dau. Joel and Polly (Battelle) Sawin, b. Aug. 31, 1820. He d. Jan. 7, 1883, at Utica, N. Y. Mr. Jennison was a shoemaker by trade and lived in Dover for some years where four of his children were born. He enlisted in Co. E. 16th Reg. M. V. M. from Holliston in 1862 and was for a long time a prisoner in Richmond. Wesley B. Jennison enlisted in Co. B, 16th Reg. M. V. M., in 1862 and died in Richmond in December 1863. Children:

Edward M., b. June 7, 1841, d. Sept. 30, 1847.

Wesley B., b. May 11, 1843, d. Dec. 1, 1863.

Francis E., b. June 2, 1845, d. Sept. 18, 1847.

Luther P., b. Apr. 13, 1847.



Ellen M., b. May 19, 1853.

Francis M., b. Aug. 27, 1856.

Clara L., b. Mar. 19, 1858, d. May 19, 1863.

### JEPSON

John Jepson purchased the Samuel Wilson farm near the "New Mill" in 1791. He was a shoemaker and followed his trade here. The farm has long since been abandoned. He had a wife Mary. Child:

John, b. Nov. 22, 1791.

### JOHNSON

1. Comfort H. Johnson, m. Susan. Mr. Johnson lived in Dover for ten or twelve years but the house in which he lived is unknown. Children:

Loring, b. Aug. 5, 1812.

Hannah, b. Dec. 16, 1814.

Benj. F., b. Apr. 12, 1817.

Ursula A., b. Apr. 30, 1820.

John Q. A., b. Nov. 15, 1822, d. Dec. 4, 1822.

Geo. Washington, b. Nov. 15, 1822.

### JONES

1. John<sup>4</sup> Jones (John<sup>3</sup>, Josiah<sup>2</sup>, Lewis<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 30, 1716, m. Feb. 23, 1742-3 Hannah, dau. David and Sarah (Dyer) Morse of Sherborn, b. Feb. 18, 1720-1, d. April 13, 1754, m. 2ndly, Oct. 31, 1754, Tabitha, dau. Nathaniel and Tabitha (Morse) Battelle. b. June 25, 1731, d. Nov. 8, 1800. He d. Feb. 2, 1801. At the time of the organization of the Springfield Parish, Mr. Jones was the most prominent resident of the territory. He was born in Weston, and was descended in the fourth generation from Lewis Jones, who came to this country about 1640 and settled in Roxbury where he and his wife Anna were members of John Eliot's church. Later they moved to Watertown. Mr. Jones settled in Dover in 1740 on the promontory and peninsular which formed the extensive estate of the late Benjamin P. Cheney. He was a

successful school teacher, a colonel in the militia, a deacon in the Natick church, and a civil engineer, whose services were in great demand. In 1762-3, under a commission issued by the royal governor of Massachusetts, he made the first survey of Mt. Desert Island.

He was a "Justice of the Court of General Sessions of the Peace of Suffolk County" under the colonial government, and was also a justice of the peace under the state. He was proprietor's clerk of Natick, and a guardian of the Natick Indians. When Norfolk County was organized, in 1793, he was president of the Court of General Sessions. Mr. Jones was chairman of the first board of selectmen in Dover, also the first town or district clerk. Children:

John, Jr., b. Feb. 4, 1743-4, d. July 4, 1776, res. Princeton.  
Mehitable, b. Nov. 24, 1745, m. June 21, 1768, Samuel Cook,  
Needham.

Hannah, b. July 20, 1748, m. July 4, 1771, Enoch Brooks.

Dan, b. Feb. 28, 1750-1, d. Oct. 9, 1752.

Amos, b. Nov. 29, 1753, d. Nov. 19, 1776, res. Princeton.

Tabitha, b. Sept. 13, 1755, m. Ephraim Dana, Natick.

Silence, b. Aug. 2, 1758, m. Moses Sawin, Natick.

(2) Adam, b. June 25, 1760.

Caroline, b. Aug. 9, 1764, m. John Leland, Sherborn.

Mary, b. Aug. 24, 1774, m. Mar. 9, 1795, Elijah Perry, Natick.

2. Adam<sup>5</sup> (John<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, Josiah<sup>2</sup>, Lewis<sup>1</sup>), b. June 25, 1760, m. Dec. 28, 1786, Elizabeth, dau. Thomas and Mehitable (Fisher) Ellis of Dedham, m. 2ndly, Feb. 10, 1792, Rebecca Baxter of Princeton, who died Aug. 10, 1830. He died July 20, 1825. Mr. Jones lived on the homestead on Dover street which he later sold and moved to Princeton. Children:

Betsey, b. Feb. 8, 1794, d. Mar. 10, 1794.

Mary, b. July 10, 1795, d. Aug. 25, 1877.

Baxter, b. Nov. 24, 1799, d. Oct. 19, 1800.

Louisa, b. Dec. 8, 1800, d. July, 1868.

John, b. Nov. 5, 1892, d. July 13, 1850.

Lucinda, d. Jan. 15, 1878.

3. Samuel<sup>5</sup> (Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, Alden<sup>3</sup>, Anthony<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 2, 1777, m. Mary Walker of Marlboro, m. 2ndly, May 21, 1834,

Lurana, dau. Levi and Lurana (Morse) Sawin, b. April 10, 1799. Mr. Jones was b. in Hopkinton but was for many years a resident of Natick where he had seven or eight children born to him, all of whom are said to have died comparatively young, except Hiram W. Samuel Jones married a second wife in Dover, and took up his residence here having purchased the farm on Pine street owned by the late George McKenzie. He was descended from Col. John Jones of Hopkinton, the emigrant, who according to tradition, came from Scotland. Col. Jones was in the French and Indian War. Samuel Jones was descended in the seventh generation from John and Priscilla Alden of the Mayflower. Child:

Ann Eliza, b. Feb. 11, 1835, m. Eleazer Bangs, Malden.

4. Hiram<sup>6</sup> W. (Samuel<sup>5</sup>, Alden<sup>4</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, Anthony<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 4, 1807, m. April 4, 1830, Lucy, dau. Reuben and Lucy (Battelle) Griggs, b. Dec. 20, 1810, d. April 14, 1897. He d. Dec. 2, 1875. Mr. Jones was born in what was known as "Little South Natick." He was a carpenter and employed a large force of men for his time. He erected many buildings in Dover, Sherborn and Natick. While building the Natick Congregational Church, he fell and sustained injuries which compelled him to give up his business. He was town treasurer for many years, a fire insurance agent, as well as farmer. He lived on Farm street with his father-in-law Reuben Griggs. After giving up his farm he resided on Main street where the late Henry R. Stevens lived. He later moved with his family to Franklin, where he spent his remaining days. Children:

Eveline E., b. 1831, m. May 20, 1852, John Q. A. Nichols.

Parthena G., b. Apr. 21, 1834, m. May 15, 1862, C. E. Hammet, Jr.

Mary M., b. Jan. 27, 1839, d. July, 1854.

Arabella, b. Dec., 1845, d. Aug., 1847.

Alice J., b. Sept. 20, 1848.

Inez L., b. Nov. 10, 1851.

S. Waldo, b. Oct. 14, 1854, d. Dec. 21, 1862.

5. Stephen<sup>2</sup> Sharp Clark Jones (Joseph<sup>1</sup>), Sept. 26, 1811, m. April 21, 1834, Rebecca, dau. Samuel Belcher and Hannah

(Mellish) Lyon, b. in Dorchester, Sept. 20, 1811, d. Sept. 17, 1900. He d. Jan. 5, 1861. Mr. Jones was born in Brookline, where he was postmaster for several years. In 1851 his health failed and he moved to Dover, occupying the farm owned by the late Henry R. Stevens, on Main street. Children:

Joseph, b. Aug. 5, 1835, d. May 8, 1877, res. Holbrook.

Rebecca, b. Mar. 2, 1837, d. Jan. 31, 1841.

Susan S., b. Mar. 21, 1840, d. Sept. 21, 1841.

(6) Theodore F., b. July 25, 1842, d. Apr. 20, 1885.

Rebecca, b. June 27, 1844, d. Aug. 16, 1846.

Edith, b. Sept. 30, 1853, d. 1853.

6. Theodore<sup>3</sup> F. (Stephen<sup>2</sup> S. C., Joseph<sup>1</sup>), b. July 25, 1842, m. Sept. 25, 1872, Helen M., dau. Theodore and Caroline (Babcock) Dunn., b. May 9, 1850. He d. April 20, 1885. Mr. Jones was for many years in business in China where one of his children, Charles Lyon, was born. He returned to Dover with his family in 1884 and purchased the Ann Harding farm on Main street where he died a few months later. Children:

Amy C., b. Jan. 10, 1874, m. Sept. 14, 1903, William Levis.

Robert Sharp, b. Oct. 14, 1875, m. Greensburg, Pa., Mar. 21, 1905, Elinor Eicher.

Chas. Lyon, b. Dec. 17, 1877, m. Greensburg, Pa., Oct. 17, 1906, Olive May Glunt.

Theodore Francis b. Dec. 5, 1885, Prof. University New York.

## KENRICK

1. Richard<sup>6</sup> Kenrick (Caleb<sup>5</sup>, Caleb<sup>4</sup>, Caleb<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), son of Caleb and Elizabeth (Richards) Kenrick, was b. March 2, 1800, m. Oct. 3, 1824, Sylvia, dau. of John and Abigail (Pratt) Burrage, b. Jan. 9, 1794, d. in 1867. He died in February, 1881. Mr. Kenrick with his brothers, Caleb and John, settled in Dover. They were born in Newton and were descended from John Kenrick who is said to have been born in York, England, in 1605. He was Boston as early as 1639 and took the freeman's oath in 1640. He owned a wharf, on the east side of the town dock, which he sold in 1652. In 1658 he bought a farm of 250 acres

on Charles river, within the limits of Boston. His house stood near a bridge crossing Charles river, which was later named "Kenrick Bridge." Some of his descendants settled in Newton and it is from this branch that the Dover family is descended. Mr. Kenrick was a school teacher and taught school in Newton, and Dover. He came to this town with his family in 1852, to care for his mother-in-law, Mrs. Burrage, who lived to the advanced age of 95 years. Mr. Kenrick engaged in a small way in agricultural pursuits and was the first station agent of the Air Line Railroad. We note the changed condition since Mr. Kenrick's time when, on the Fourth of July the railroad ran extra trains to carry the people to the city. Now on all holidays the train service is curtailed and travel to the city has largely ceased. With the increase in holidays it is interesting to remember that as late as the middle of the last century only two holidays were generally observed, Fast Day and Thanksgiving. Mr. Kenrick held the position of station agent for several years and was succeeded by Isaac Henry Howe. After the death of his wife in 1867, Mr. Kenrick went to live with his daughter in Canton, where he died in 1882. Children:

Susannah C., b. Feb. 26, 1826, d. May 11, 1886.

Julia A., b. Nov. 9, 1827, d. June 22, 1887.

Elizabeth R., b. Dec. 23, 1829, d. Dec. 22, 1896.

Ellen, b. June 27, 1832, m. Feb. 2, 1865, A. E. Tucker. Canton.

2. Caleb<sup>6</sup> (Caleb<sup>5</sup>, Caleb<sup>4</sup>, Caleb<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. March 3, 1808, m. June 30, 1859, Mrs. Mary A. (Welch) McClure, b. June 2, 1835, d. July 22, 1908. He d. Dec. 3, 1877. Mr. Kenrick was a stone mason and followed his trade, in addition to the work on his little farm on Glen street. He did some excellent stone masonry in Dover and vicinity, which stands as a monument to his skill as a workman. Child:

Elizabeth, b. Apr. 8, 1860, d. Feb. 17, 1863.

3. John<sup>6</sup> (Caleb<sup>5</sup>, Caleb<sup>4</sup>, Caleb<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 28, 1817, m. Oct. 1, 1841, Abigail, dau. James Munroe and Rebecca

(Twiss) Ingalls, b. July 27, 1820, d. July 1, 1888. He died June 2, 1892. Mr. Kenrick purchased the Seth Mason place on Farm street and devoted much attention to fruit culture. His apple orchard was for many years one of the largest in Norfolk County and has been an object of great interest. It is an interesting fact that the first nursery of note in the New England Colonies was established, in 1790, by John Kenrick of Newton, when he set out five orchards of fruit trees. In 1791 he planted two acres of Lombardy poplars, a favorite tree with our ancestors. Now that even tropical fruit is plentiful all the year, it is interesting to note that in Mr. Kenrick's day oranges entirely disappeared by the middle of May and were not seen again in the market until midwinter. Figs sold for four cents a pound a half century ago and many farmers bought them by the drum for their families. Mr. Kenrick built new buildings and made his farm one of the most attractive in town. He was a blacksmith by trade and for many years followed this occupation in the winter season. He was a man of the strictest piety and a devout member and deacon in the Baptist Church. He was averse to holding public office, but was in favor of town improvements. He was very much interested in the Grange, and while its material benefits appealed to him, yet he was not in favor of making it a self-centered work. He liked to dwell upon the Grange principles, especially the following, which appealed to his sympathies and reason: To develop a better and higher manhood and womanhood among ourselves. To enhance the comforts and attractions of our homes, and strengthen our attachments to our pursuits. To foster mutual understanding and co-operation. To maintain inviolate our laws, and to emulate each other in labor to hasten the good time coming. To reduce our expenses, both individual and corporate. To buy less and produce more, in order to make our farms self-sustaining. To diversify our crops, and crop no more than we can cultivate. To condense the weight of our exports, selling less in the bushel and more on hoof and in fleece; less in lint and more in warp and woof.



To systematize our work, and calculate intelligently on probabilities. To discountenance the credit system, the mortgage system, and every other system tending to prodigality and bankruptcy. Children:

Caroline R., b. Nov. 30, 1842, d. Sept. 6, 1847.

Althea, b. Mar. 2, 1845, d. Mar. 31, 1893.

Mary C., b. Sept. 4, 1848, d. May 8, 1891.

Luella G., b. July 19, 1854, d. Dec. 7, 1875.

Abbie A., b. Mar. 8, 1857, m. Ephraim Childs, Cumberland, Me.

Theodosa, b. June 23, 1860, d. Mar. 8, 1863.

(4) Benjamin, b. Apr. 25, 1859.

4. Benjamin<sup>7</sup> (John<sup>6</sup>, Caleb<sup>5</sup>, Caleb<sup>4</sup>, Caleb<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup> John<sup>1</sup>).  
b. Apr. 25, 1850, m. Feb. 9, 1874, Evangeline St. Clare, dau.  
Henry and Mary (Harrison) Archer; m. 2ndly, June 30, 1880.  
Charlotte V., dau. Samuel and Sarah Dean (French) Scammon;  
m. 3rd, Sept. 9, 1893, Mrs. Margaret M. (Clark) Webster.  
Mr. Kenrick occupied his father's farm for some years, but later  
sold it to Philip Gardner. Child:

Emma May, b. June 16, 1876, d. Nov. 2, 1893.

Note—Oliver<sup>2</sup> Kenrick (Elijah) served in the Springfield Parish Company of Minute Men at the Lexington Alarm, Apr. 19, 1775. His intention of marriage with Elizabeth, dau. James and Sybil (Littlefield) Cheney was published Oct. 21, 1775. He was then of Warwick. In 1760 his parents, Elijah and Ruth Kendrick, were warned out of Needham.

## KEYES

Ezra Keyes, m. Apr. 4, 1830, Elizabeth P., dau. of Richard and Joanna Colburn. Mrs. Keyes was a sister of Warren Colburn, the author of Colburn's Arithmetics which did so much to improve the methods of teaching in public schools. Mrs. Keyes' father was for some time a resident of Dover and worked as he had opportunity for farmers. Mr. Keyes was a blacksmith and came here from Windsor Locks, Conn. In 1830 he built the house on Willow street now owned by Mrs. Davidson. He moved from this town to Walpole. Children:

Joanna Eaton, b. Feb. 28, 1831.

Nancy Colburn, b. June 2, 1833.

Warren Colburn, b. Apr. 4, 1835.

Hannah Elizabeth, b. June 12, 1837.

Abby F., bpt. Sept. 3, 1843.

George, bpt. Jan. 1, 1846.

Alvin Leonard, b. June 16, 1849.

### KING

William King, m. Anna — and was an early settler on Powisset street, in the vicinity of what was called "Egypt." This name was given to the place on account of the surrounding hills and forests which made the place very dark.\* He was a blacksmith and had a shop in connection with his farm. He had a secret process for tempering steel, and Partridge, the manufacturer of the celebrated "Partridge forks," is said to have gotten his secret from him. The story is told of a neighbor who took some work to him with the intention of seeing how the thing was done. He watched the process for a time, when he was suddenly asked to fetch a pail of water, when he returned the job was done. Children:

Mary, b. May 19, 1764, m. Apr. 24, 1793, Joseph Spear.

Anna, b. May 8, 1765.

William, b. Aug. 4, 1768.

David, b. Oct. 21, 1778.

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\*One finds in the town records references to such places as the "Ohio pasture," a name given to the place because it was so difficult to reach. These names were given in the years when the West was being settled.

### KNAPP

Jesse Knapp was a prominent citizen of the Springfield Parish during the first year of the Revolutionary War. He was a sergeant in Capt. Ebenezer Battle's company, at the Lexington Alarm, and is said to have been of great assistance to Capt. Battle. At one time he held the command of the company. He was a blacksmith and had his shop on Springdale park. He lived on the Skimmings' place on Main street, which he sold to Silas Bacon in 1791, and moved from town. Children:

Rhoda, b. Oct. 9, 1761.

Javan, b. May 1, 1764.

Nahum, b. July 21, 1766.

Sally, b. Dec. 23, 1768.

Joash, b. Mar. 6, 1771.

### KNOWLTON

1. Josiah<sup>3</sup> Knowlton (William<sup>2</sup>, Daniel<sup>1</sup>), b. 1770, m. Oct. 13, 1797, Meriam, dau. John and Abigail (Cheney) Draper, b. 1776, d. Feb. 21, 1809. He d. Aug. 6, 1829. Members of the Knowlton family settled in Dover more than a century ago. In 1819 Josiah Knowlton bought the Josiah Hammond place on Center street, which he later sold to his brother Charles, who owned it until 1831. Children:

(2) Alvan, b. Dec. 22, 1797.

William, b——, m. Sarah Farnum and settled in Salem.

Charles b. —, m. Adaline Wetherell and settled in Waltham.

2. Alvan<sup>4</sup> (Josiah<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, Daniel<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 22, 1797, m. Sept. 8, 1822, Lucy, dau. Samuel and Olive (Rice) Perry, b. Nov. 10, 1803, d. Oct. 20, 1868. He d. Aug. 7, 1867. Mr. Knowlton was a cordwainer by trade. He purchased the Rogers farm on Pleasant street in 1821 and continued to live there until 1831, when he moved to Waltham. Children:

Lucy P., b. Apr. 11, 1823, m. Nov. 24, 1842, Henry Morse, Wellesley.

William W., b. June 27, 1827, m. Martha E. Darragh, res. Natick.

Charles R., b. June 3, 1829, d. July 29, 1893, in Natick.

Abigail M., b. Oct. 15, 1833, m. Charles O. Bartlett.

Ann K., b. Sept., 1835, d. Oct., 1836, in Wellesley.

Margaret A., b. Oct. 10, 1836, m. Apr. 24, 1853, Cyrus J. Littlefield.

George A., b. Oct. 13, 1839, m. Hannah Olmstead, res. Natick.

### LARRABEE

1. Thomas<sup>4</sup> Larrabee (Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Ephraim<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 15, 1752, m. June, 1778, Bathsheba Morse of Dedham, b. June 24, 1753, d. Nov. 10, 1843. He died July 10, 1832. Mr. Larrabee was descended from Ephraim Larrabee, who was of Charlestown in 1717 and later at Stoneham (1729). His father, Thomas Larrabee, lived at Woburn, and was in the French and

Indian War. Mr. Larrabee was the most prominent private of the Springfield Parish in the Revolution. In his early manhood he was in the employ of Jabez Baker, who also served in the Revolutionary War, and in preparing to enter the service took a grist of grain to mill for Mr. Baker, that the family might not be without meal in their absence. To illustrate how all contributed toward the success of the Revolution, it is still repeated around Dover firesides that the miller took no toll for the grist because he wanted to contribute his mite toward the success of the Revolution. Mr. Larrabee was one of General Washington's Life Guards and rendered an important Revolutionary service. He was a man of large stature and strong personality, and for many years entertained the young men as they gathered around the bar-room of the William's Tavern with stories of the war. Mr. Larrabee used to tell the amusing story\* of the Irishman, who, at Trenton, captured five Hessians and brought them into camp. On being asked by Washington how he accomplished such a feat, he replied, "I surrounded them, sir." While stationed at Valley Forge there was a Tory near by who had a large quantity of turnips which he refused the American Army. On one occasion he was discovered carting a load to the British Army, whereupon the Americans took possession of the turnips and compelled him to do some shoveling; while thus engaged the soldiers tantalized him with the exclamation, "O, how good those turnips taste." During the siege of Boston British officers were very overbearing. The story is told of an officer who entered a barber's shop and demanded a shave. Laying his sword on the barber's table, he told him that if he drew a drop of blood on his face it would cost him his life. The barber invited him to sit right down and take his shave. After the work was finished the officer said, "How did you dare to shave me under the conditions?" "Well," said the barber, "if I had drawn a drop of blood on your face I should have cut your throat from ear to ear." Then the officer realized the danger

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\*There are those still living who recall these stories as told by his son, Joseph Larrabee.

to which he had exposed himself. Mr. Larrabee learned to cobble shoes, and during the winter months, it is said, repaired the boots of Army officers at Valley Forge.

The Larrabee estate was located in the easterly part of the town on Strawberry hill, but some distance from the highway. He originally selected a site still farther south and dug a cellar preparatory to building, but visiting the premises with his fiancée, Miss Morse, she refused to live there, as she saw several rattlesnakes in the vicinity. Children:

Jonathan, b. Sept. 14, 1780, m. 1804, Sally Warren, d. Dec. 20, 1845, by fall in the barn.

Thomas, b. July 11, 1784, d. Oct. 25, 1793.

Rebecca, b. Oct. 12, 1783, m. Stephen Pettingell.

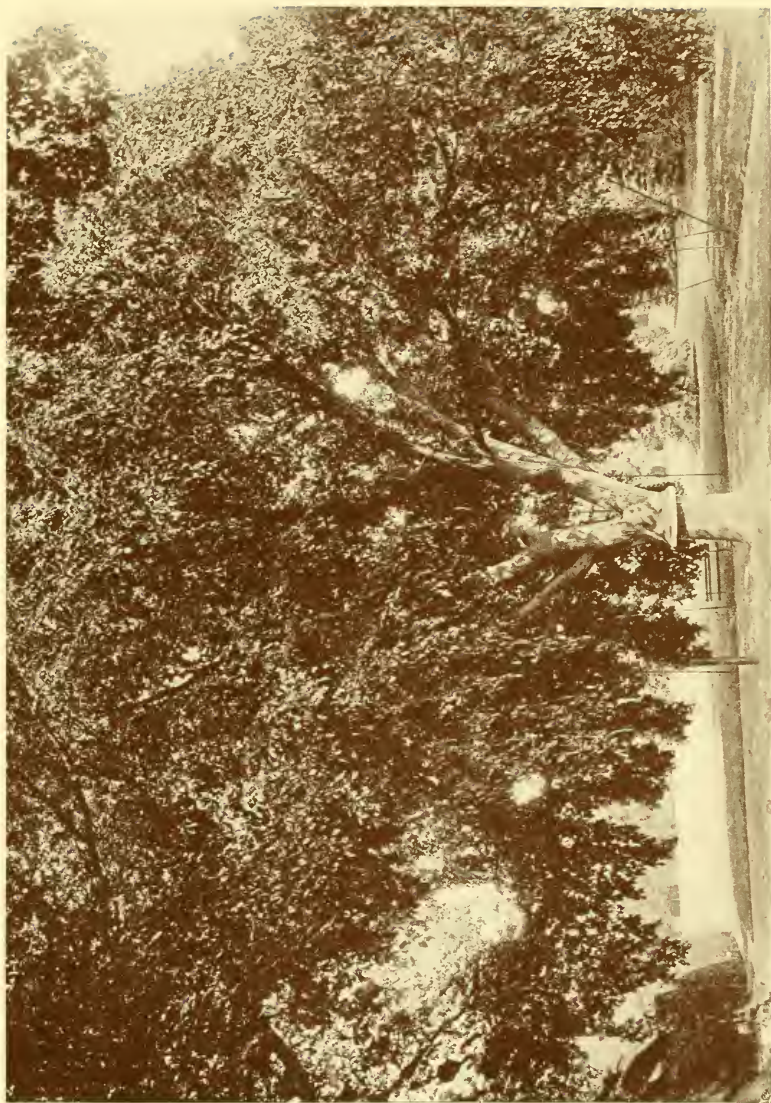
(2) Joseph, b. Mar. 31, 1788.

Hannah, b. July 5, 1791, d. Oct. 12, 1793.

Josiah, b. Dec. 17, 1778, d. Oct. 15, 1793.

2. Joseph<sup>5</sup> (Thomas<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Ephraim<sup>1</sup>). b. Mar. 31, 1788, m. May 7, 1835, Charlotte, dau. Seth and Mary Wight) Wight, b. July 16, 1795, d. July 29, 1843, m. 2ndly Dec. 26, 1847, Mary, dau. of Caleb and Levina (Morse) Wight, b. June 17, 1804, d. June 6, 1864. He died July 27, 1873. He was a man of marked character, a deacon of the First Parish Church, a great reader of the Bible and the Farmers' Almanac. Being a student of the Bible and living in the age of "proof texts," he was well equipped to support his faith in the unity of God with Bible texts. He had great contempt for newspapers, and never read or allowed one to be read in his presence. He was a great walker and strenuously refused to ride in a railway train. Although he lived for some years in the westerly part of the town, and frequently visited Natick, which had early railroad facilities, and although later a railroad came to Dover, it is believed that he never rode in a train. He was a man of marked piety, and for many years was the sole survivor of the ancient custom of standing during the long prayer in the church service. He was most thoroughly possessed with the spirit of devotion, and when too feeble to attend the church services he





*Under this Tree, John Jones resigned his Commission as a Justice under King George III*





*Shoe Shop once found on Dover farms*



*Horse Block or Mounting Stone*

would go out to a high rock in the vicinity of his home and worship there during the hour of the morning service.

Mr. Larrabee originally willed his property to the First Parish Church, but subsequently gave it to the town for the aid of the worthy poor, who had gained a legal residence, thinking it would do more good in this way. The little property is in the hands of a board of trustees, who annually report to the town. The income is to be expended in aid of the poor not already wards of the town. Many may be blessed in future years by his benefaction. The Old Farmers' Almanac, by Robert B. Thomas, was his secular bible. It hung by its loop over the mantelpiece in the kitchen. It was daily taken down, faithfully consulted and then replaced until its days of authority were ended. A writer in the New England Magazine says: One of the most interesting themes in the history of American literature is that of the evolution and influence of early almanacs. They preceded by more than fifty years newspapers, primers and nearly all the secular volumes printed in New England. We can scarcely realize the zealous interest and respect given to those early almanacs, whose literature, first limited to astronomical calculations, was gradually expanded to include astrology, geology, history, epigrams, riddles, prose and poetical efforts, often apposite and stimulating. Children:

Joseph, b. 1837, d. Jan. 17, 1842.

Hannah M., b. May 27, 1838, d. Jan. 14, 1842.

### LEEDS

Warren<sup>2</sup> Leeds (Samuel<sup>1</sup>), b. 1811, m. 1843. Mary T., dau. Samuel and Ruth Porter (Horton) Alden of Milton, b. 1817, d. Mar. 23, 1899. He died Feb. 25, 1889. Mr. Leeds belonged to an old Dorchester family. He bought the Geo. D. Hall farm on Walpole street in 1858 and lived there until 1870, when he sold the place and moved to County street. Children:

Frances M., b. in Dorchester, m. 1854, Gardiner Adams, Somerville.  
Mary E., b. in Dorchester, m. 1862, Charles Adams, Somerville.

Joseph W., b. in Dorchester, m. 1869, Henrietta C. Thayer.

Emma A., b. in Dorchester.

Theodore A., b. in South Boston, m. 1881, Julia E. Pitcher, Camden, Me.

Caroline S., b. in South Boston.

Charles F., b. in Dover, 1859, m. 1889, Mary A. Cook.

### MANN

1. James<sup>5</sup> Mann (James<sup>4</sup>, Petetiah<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>), b. 1752, m. Feb. 25, 1775, Lydia, dau. of Daniel and Kezia (Ellis) Chickering, b. 1752, d. Sept. 22, 1834. He died Feb. 3, 1824. Mr. Mann was the first of the family to settle in Dover. He was a son of Capt. James Mann of Natick, who filled various town offices and was prominent in the Colonial and Revolutionary Wars. The Mann homstead lay south of the center of the town (George C. Taylor place, off Walpole street) and was originally a part of the Chickering estate. The Dover family is descended from William Mann, who settled in Cambridge. He is reported to have been born in Kent County, England, about 1607, and was the youngest of eleven children. It is said of the Mann family in England that it was highly respected and was honored on several occasions in successive periods with royal favor. Individuals filled important offices under the government and secured public confidence and esteem by their fidelity in the performance of duty. Children:

(2) Daniel, b. Mar. 23, 1777.

(3) Simeon b. Mar. 10, 1779.

Betsey, b. —, m. June 10, 1801, Josiah Newell.

(4) James, b. —

2. Daniel<sup>6</sup> (James<sup>5</sup>, James<sup>4</sup>, Petetiah<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 23, 177, m. May 20, 1802, Rachel, dau. of Fisher and Rachel (Smith) Allen, b. Sept. 20, 1779, d. May 21, 1860. He died Mar. 4, 1859. Mr. Mann was for many years a master builder, having many men in his employ. He did much building in Dedham and Needham, as well as Dover. He abandoned his trade and for a time was engaged in iron manufacturing. Later

he devoted his attention to farming. Mr. Mann was one of the town's most prominent citizens, a "village referee," to whom was referred many cases in dispute, and his judgment was always implicitly relied upon. He was for more than twenty years a Justice of the Peace and held important town offices, having been for many years a member of the board of selectmen, assessors and overseers of the poor. He did efficient work in gaining railroad facilities and was ever ready to give time, effort and of his means to promote the best interests of the town. He was the first fire insurance agent in Dover, having had from the first the agency of the Norfolk Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Dedham, which was organized in 1825. Mr. Mann's residence was on Dedham street. Children:

Lydia, b. July 14, 1804, m. May 28, 1823, Rufus Battelle.

Rachel A., b. Aug. 12, 1807, m. Sept. 7, 1849, Dea. Ralph Battelle.

Daniel, b. Feb. 4, 1810, d. Aug. 22, 1813.

Betsey, b. June 30, 1813, m. Oct. 14, 1834, Luther Richards.

Lucy Maria, b. June 18, 1816, m. May 25, 1841, Calvin Richards.

(5) Daniel Fisher, b. Aug. 17, 1822, m. Apr. 3, 1851, Sarah J. Battelle.

3. Simeon<sup>6</sup> (James<sup>5</sup>, James<sup>4</sup>, Petetiah<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 10, 1779, m. 1802 Persis, dau. Jonathan and Mary (Leland) Leland, of Sherborn, b. June 6, 1780. His farm was on Walpole street. Farmers were resourceful. When the government first issued adhesive stamps they would not stick. It was soon found, however, that by wetting the paper instead of the stamp it could be made to stick, and this practice is still kept up by some elderly persons and those who would avoid the microbes held on exposed postage stamps. Children:

(6) Willard, b. —

(7) Leland, b. July 11, 1805.

(8) Ellis, b. Mar. 4, 1808.

4. James<sup>6</sup> (James<sup>5</sup>, James<sup>4</sup>, Petetiah<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>), b. July 10, 1785, m. Nov. 28, 1805, Clarissa, dau. Seth and Mary (Wight) Wight, b. Nov. 3, 1785, d. July 21, 1859; lived on

Main street where the late Elbridge L. Mann lived. He died Apr. 23, 1861. Children:

- James, b. Apr. 8, 1806, d. Mar. 11, 1850, res. New York City.
- Lorenzo, b. Mar. 13, 1809, d. Apr. 13, 1850, res. New York City.
- Clara, b. Sept. 9, 1811, d. Nov. 28, 1880.
- (9) Daniel, b. Apr. 12, 1814, d. Oct. 13, 1878
- Moses, b. Oct. 26, 1816, d. Oct. 19, 1881, res. New York City.
- Lucretia, b. Feb. 15, 1819, m. 1844, Rufus Campbell.
- Austin Gilbert, b. Apr. 21, 1823, d. Jan. 27, 1844.
- Charlotte Augusta, b. July 29, 1825, m. 1846, Hollis Mann.

5. Daniel<sup>7</sup> Fisher (Daniel<sup>6</sup>, James<sup>5</sup>, James<sup>4</sup>, Petetiah<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 17, 1882, m. Apr. 3, 1850, Sarah Jane, dau. William and Sarah (Brooks) Battelle of Providence, b. Dec. 25, 1827, d. June 15, 1867; m. 2ndly Nov. 28, 1871, Mary W., dau. Calvin and Caroline (Burrage) Barden, b. Dec. 27, 1830, d. Nov. 19, 1894. Mr. Mann lived for many years on the farm at the foot of Strawberry hill street, but later moved to Needham. Children:

- Ida Jane, b. May 19, 1852, m. Oct. 11, 1876, Henry L. Grover.
- Isabelle Battelle, b. July 20, 1859, m. Jan. 26, 1887, Albert M. Miller, M.D., Needham.

6. Willard<sup>7</sup> (Simeon<sup>6</sup>, James<sup>5</sup>, James<sup>4</sup>, Petetiah<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 7, 1803, m. Dec. 14, 1826, Abigail, dau. Josiah and Kazia (Knowlton) Draper, b. Mar. 28, 1802, d. May 23, 1875. Built the house on Farm street owned by the late Asa Talbot. He died 1840; after his death Mrs. Mann sold the farm and built at the centre of the town; she willed her property to the Evangelical Congregational Society, and her house was made a part of the parsonage in 1872. Children:

- Willard Draper, b. July 23, 1829, d. Mar. 20, 1844.
- Persis Ann, b. Apr. 18, 1831, d. July 13, 1850.
- Abigail, b. July 27, 1833, d. Feb. 14, 1835.
- Albion Francis, b. July 5, 1837, d. Feb. 5, 1852.

7. Leland<sup>8</sup> (Simeon<sup>7</sup>, James<sup>6</sup>, James<sup>5</sup>, James<sup>4</sup>, Petetiah<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>), b. July 11, 1805, m. 1829 Sarepta Burbank of Raynham, b. 1810, d. Dec. 8, 1848. He owned the Bart-



lett farm on Farm street, where he died Nov. 17, 1843, leaving no issue.

8. Ellis<sup>7</sup> (Simeon<sup>6</sup>, James<sup>5</sup>, James<sup>4</sup>, Petetiah<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 4, 1808, m. Oct. 14, 1823, Betsey, dau. Caleb and Levina (Morse) Wight, b. Sept. 8, 1808, d. Aug. 9, 1870. He died Aug. 23, 1873. Mr. Mann lived for a time on the Mann homestead, then bought the farm on Main street where his son, the late Elbridge L. Mann, lived. Children:

Mary L., b. May 20, 1831, m. Alfred Cutler, Holliston.

(10) Elbridge L., b. May 14, 1834.

George H., b. Aug. 7, 1840, res. Malden.

9. Daniel<sup>7</sup> (James<sup>6</sup>, James<sup>5</sup>, James<sup>4</sup>, Petetiah<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 12, 1814, m. Apr. 17, 1838, Mary F., dau. Joseph and Eunice (Felch) Corliss of Natick, b. Nov. 18, 1820, d. May 12, 1903. He was a carpenter by trade and lived on Main street. The incessant toil of farm life was sometimes broken by the "fish fry" when the people of a neighborhood gathered on the banks of Charles River. The men and boys caught and dressed the fish which the women fried to "a turn" in their frying pans and served to the company with an abundance of other good things with which they had come laden. Such occasions are still recalled by elderly people. Children:

Sarah A., b. Oct. 12, 1838, m. Sept. 10, 1855, Henry J. Hanks, res. Medfield.

Mary E., b. Apr. 14, 1843, m. George A. Blake, res. Wellesley.

(11) James G., b. Jan. 30, 1846.

Susan A., b. Jan. 23, 1849, m. Chas. N. Pierce.

Charlotte L., b. Nov. 23, 1850.

Eliza J., b. Nov. 15, 1852, m. Augustine Varney.

William H., b. Oct. 23, 1854, m. Cassandra Farren, res. Medfield.

Moses, b. Apr. 9 1857, d. young.

Carrie F., b. Nov. 15, 1860, m. Orrison E. Coleman.

Joseph D., b. Jan. 23, 1865. Went to Alaska.

10. Elbridge<sup>8</sup> L. (Ellis<sup>7</sup>, Simeon<sup>6</sup>, James<sup>5</sup>, James<sup>4</sup>, Petetiah<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>), b. May 14, 1834, m. Nov. 27, 1864, Adeline B., dau. Lewis and Maria (Holbrook) Goulding, b. Dec. 23, 1843, d. July 31, 1886. He d. Mar. 2 1814.



Mr. Mann played the violin and in his younger days on long winter evenings played in neighbors' homes to the great delight of the children. He was much interested in local history and communicated interesting facts as late as 1912, which have enriched these pages. Children:

Lillian Jane, b. May 31, 1866.  
 Maurice Walton, b. Jan. 19, 1869.  
 George Ellis, b. Nov. 25, 1870.  
 Elsie Maria, b. Oct. 10, 1872, d. Jan. 26, 1896.  
 Sara Alice, b. July 13, 1874, d. Nov. 4, 1898.

11. James<sup>8</sup> G. (Daniel<sup>7</sup>, James<sup>6</sup>, James<sup>5</sup>, James<sup>4</sup>, Petetiah<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 30, 1846, m. Jan., 1866, Lydia Ann, dau. Miles and Elizabeth Jones, b. Sept. 3, 1845, d. May 10, 1871; m. 2ndly Luella Barrows, m. 3rdly, July 4, 1885, Mrs. Mary Boundford, dau. John and Catherine Rosendon. Children:

Alice L., b. Sept. 5, 1867.  
 Nellie, b. Sept. 4, 1870, d. Aug. 4, 1871.  
 Addie E., b. Aug. 13, 1868, d. 1872.  
 James R. D., b. Mar. 24, 1883, d. Apr. 30, 1901.

## MARDEN

1. Jeremiah Marden, b. Apr. 10, 1796, m. Apr. 25, 1819, Mary L., dau. David O. and Sally (Blake) Bodge, b. 1799, d. May 26, 1886. He died Jan. 20, 1852. Mr. Marden was born in Newton. He settled on Willow street, Charles River. He was a stone mason and did much work in Needham and West Roxbury. The fine stone wall which for so many years surrounded the Bussey farm will be recalled by many; these walls were built by Mr. Marden. In later life he was seriously injured by the premature discharge of a blast in a well which he was building. When he could no longer work at his trade he kept a little variety store in his house. Mrs. Marden is remembered as a woman deeply interested in all public affairs. She survived her husband many years and spent much time during the latter years of her life in making silk bed quilts, which she presented to friends and the poor who needed them. Mrs. Mar-

den was a constant attendant at the First Parish Church and kept up the custom until about 1880 of using during the winter the "foot stove" in the church service. Children:

(2) Charles, b. Mar. 1, 1821.

Ellis, b. Jan. 8, 1823, m. Dec. 25, 1845, Mary P. Webster.

2. Charles<sup>2</sup> (Jeremiah<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 1, 1821, m. Oct. 12, 1843, Emily J., dau. ——— and Lois (Proctor) Haynes. He built a house on Willow street in 1850. He was a carpenter and moved with his family to Dedham in 1856. He went to California in 1849. At that time there was a big rush for the gold fields and some Dover men, with families, were left behind because they could not get passage. Children:

Charles E., b. Dec. 3, 1844, d. Aug. 12, 1845.

Charles P., b. Nov. 30, 1847, d. Sept. 17, 1849.

H. Everett, b. Aug. 11, 1851, m. Ada M. Bean, res. Dedham.

## MASON

1. John<sup>2</sup> Mason (John<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 6, 1651, m. Elizabeth ———. He died Apr. 9, 1714. Although not as numerous as some, the Mason family is yet one of the oldest in town. Seth and Jonathan were assessed a poll tax in the first assessment in the parish in 1732, and their father, perhaps, lived here. They were descended from John Mason, who married in Dedham, in 1651, Mary Eaton. The original Mason place was on Farm street and is now owned by Philip Gardner. Children:

John, b. Sept. 20, 1695.

Elizabeth, b. Sept. 22, 1697.

(2) Seth, b. Feb. 19, 1701.

Abigail, b. Apr. 18, 1703.

(3) Jonathan, b. May 27, 1705.

Hannah, b. May 1, 1710.

Noah, b. Oct. 14, 1712.

2. Seth<sup>3</sup> (John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 19, 1701, m. June 27, 1734, Rebecca Andrews. Mr. Mason lived on the original homestead on Farm street. His son Moses lived on the same street with

his father for a time, and owned the Charles F. Lyman place. He made the farm through the purchase of several pieces of land. He moved from town in 1783. Children:

- Seth, b. Apr. 2, 1735, d. Mar. 8, 1747.
- (4) John, b. Aug. 23, 1737, d. Oct. 19, 1805.  
 Judith, b. Sept. 15, 1740.  
 Rebecca, b. Sept. 19, 1742, m. Eleazer Allen.  
 Phebe, b. June 2, 1745.  
 Mehitable, b. June 9, 1747, m. Asa Mason, Jr., Medfield.
- (5) Seth, b. July 12, 1749.  
 Moses, b. Mar. 11, 1752.  
 Simeon, b. Mar. 25, 1754.

3. Jonathan<sup>3</sup> (John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. May 27, 1705, m. May 13, 1730, Hepzibas Morse. Mr. Mason lived in the west part of Dover at the extreme end of Wight street on the left. He sold his little farm to Seth Wight in 1747 and moved from town. This land is now included in the Arthur E. Davis farm; the house was abandoned many years ago. Children:

- Elizabeth, b. Feb. 6, 1730-1.
- Mary, b. Sept. 12, 1732.
- Hepzibah, b. Sept. 29, 1734.

4. John<sup>4</sup> (Seth<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 23, 1737, m. Nov. 19, 1789, Margery, dau. Zeckariah and Sarah (Rich) Mason of Medfield, b. 1744, d. 1813. He died Oct. 19, 1805. Mr. Mason lived on the homestead and willed his farm to his brothers Simeon and Seth, having no issue.

5. Seth<sup>4</sup> (Seth<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. July 12, 1749, m. May 26, 1803, Mary Robbins, d. 1833, m. 2ndly 1835, Mrs. Betsey Stedman of Needham, d. 1881. Like other members of his family he was a quiet and respected citizen and was but little in public life. He was the last survivor of his family in town. He sold his farm to John Kenrick and spent the remaining years of his life on the Joseph Chickering farm on Haven street.

6. Asa<sup>4</sup> (Ebenezer<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. 1727, m. 1755, Beriah, dau. Isaac and Esther (Mann) Fisher of Wrentham, b. June 20, 1734. He settled on Pine street and owned the farm

occupied by the late Jonathan Whiting. He was a cooper as well as farmer. In 1777 he bought his brother's interest in his father's estate in Medfield and in 1785 sold his Dover farm. He was killed by a fall in his barn in 1803 and his wife died the following year. The custom of greasing one's boots, one of the joys not indulged in by modern boys, is well described in the following clipping:

Perhaps you never did any of it. Maybe you came into the world in these later days, when few boys even know the feel of a leather boot. If so, you have our heartfelt sympathy. A boy who has grown to manhood and never worn out several dozen pairs of boots has missed half his life.

With the first nip of winter, father took you down to the country store, and you had the fun of "trying on." The wooden pegs came up through the soles, and the clerk used to rasp them out before you put your foot into them. Do you remember the lovely "leathery" smell of 'em? And how careful you were the first few days to keep them clean and nice? Ah, me! it was only for a day or two.

When the snow came, and you had finished your fun and done your chores, you came in with your feet cold and sometimes wet. It was then you got the saucer of tallow from up on the shelf and put it on the stove to melt, after which you proceeded to give the boots a thorough greasing. In the morning they would be fairly soaked with "taller," but it took a lot of pulling and hauling, reinforced with strenuous kicks against the woodshed door, before those wretched boots would go on. And to think that boys grow up nowadays and never know the joy of wearing boots! Children:

Beriah, b. 1756, d. 1825.

Ebenezer, b. 1757, d. 1802.

Abigail, b. 1759, m. 1782, Samuel Fisher.

Eunice, b. 1762, m. 1785, Samuel Moulton, m. 2ndly, John Adams.

Esther, b. 1764, m. 1788, Timothy Harding, Medway.

Asa, b. 1766, m. 1789, Hitty Mason, settled in Barre.

Sarah, b. 1768, m. 1793, Lemuel Herring.

Amos, b. 1773, d. 1776.

Nathan, b. 1778, d. 1798.

Kezia, b. 1770, m. 1789, William P. Allen, Medfield, m. 2ndly 1809,  
David Cleveland, Dover, m. 3rdly, Nov. 9, 1826, Maj. Gen. Elijah  
Crane, Canton.

### McCLURE

1. John<sup>2</sup> McClure (Alexander<sup>1</sup>), b. Ayr, Scotland, Dec. 19, 1855, m. Dec. 8, 1885, Caroline, dau. Warren and Emeline (Goulding) Blackmen, b. Apr. 17, 1864. He d. Feb. 16, 1911. Mr. McClure was a farmer and the first superintendent of streets. The roads were much improved under his supervision, the town making a large increase in its appropriations for highways. He occupied the farm of his stepfather, Caleb Kenrick, on Glen street. The superintendents of the Baptist Sunday school were as follows: Charles Kerby, John Kenrich, Henry Horton, Timothy Bailey, John McClure. Children:

William, b. Mar. 3, 1887, m. June 22, 1910, Margaret Graham. Children: Esther G., b. Apr. 1, 1912, Ethel M., b. Apr. 25, 1915.  
Mary E., b. Sept. 24, 1889, m. June 22, 1910, George R. S. Newcomb.  
Children: George W., b. May 13, 1911, Dorothy E., b. Feb. 1, 1913.  
Edith C., b. May 23, 1892, m. June 22, 1915, Geo. F. Munroe.

### McGILL

1. Thomas<sup>2</sup> McGill (James<sup>1</sup>), b. in Girvan, Scotland, Mar. 11, 1828, m. May 20, 1856, Jane, dau. of John and Janet (Wishart) Smiley, b. Glasgow, Scotland, June 8, 1829, d. Apr. 29, 1894. He d. Feb. 11, 1885.

Mrs. McGill's grandfather and two of his sons came to America and fought on the side of the Colonies in the Revolution. Two of the three were killed in battle. Mr. McGill settled in Dover about 1860, coming here from Lawrence. He first purchased the Seth Wight farm, to which he added the Caleb Wight place later.

Anna McGill was the first woman (a native of Dover) to graduate from college. The ninety-seventh anniversary of the birth of Lucy Stone which is being celebrated (1915) shows

vividly the progress that has been made during the past one hundred years.

"When Lucy Stone was born a married woman had scarcely more rights under the law than a baby. Her husband had the absolute control of her property, her person, her earnings and her children. Public opinion forbade women to speak in public. Even the few women who wrote were looked upon as unwomanly. Their opportunities for education were scanty. Miss Stone's brothers went to college; but when this gifted young girl expressed a wish to go, her father, a prosperous farmer, asked in all seriousness, 'Is the child crazy?' Only a few ill-paid occupations were open to women. It took her nine years to earn the money to carry her to Oberlin, O. The faculty would not let the girls take part in the college debates, and Miss Stone, with a few others, organized secretly the first debating society ever formed among college girls. She was appointed to write an essay for commencement, but was notified that one of the professors would have to read it for her, as it would not be proper for a woman to read her own essay in public. Rather than not read it herself, she declined to write it. She was the first Massachusetts woman to take a college degree, graduating in 1847.

"For the next ten years she lectured all up and down the country, in behalf of woman's rights. In those days there were no suffrage societies. She started out all alone, with no co-operation and no backing. Often she put up the posters for her own meetings, with a little package of tacks and a stone picked up from the street. She was denounced by pulpit and press, ridiculed and pelted. Once a hymn book was hurled at her head with stunning force. Once in winter a pane of glass was taken out of a window behind her, and she was suddenly deluged with ice-cold water through a hose. She put on a shawl and continued her lecture. In most of the towns that she visited no woman had ever spoken in public before, and curiosity drew immense audiences. Children:



- (2) James, b. Sept. 16, 1857.

Martha, b. June 27, 1859, m. Nov. 24, 1897, Frank A. Williams, So. Natick.

Katherine, b. Oct. 26, 1860.

Janet Wishart, b. July 15, 1862, m. Feb. 17, 1900, William G. Smith, Needham.

Anna, b. Feb. 18, 1864, m. July 29, 1893, Albert Pitts Morse, Wellesley.

Agnes, b. Feb. 4, 1866, m. Apr. 25, 1889, William Diehl, So. Natick.

Margaret, b. Mar. 9, 1868.

Thomas, b. May 6, 1870, m. Oct. 20, 1900, Nora S. Whitney, Sherborn.

John A., b. Mar. 17, 1872, m. Oct. 18, 1899, Julia E., dau. Walter and Julia (Norton) Clark, res. Wellesley.

2. James<sup>3</sup> (Thomas<sup>2</sup>, James<sup>1</sup>), b. in Lawrence, Sept. 16, 1857, m. June 2, 1898, Nellie, dau. Thomas and Sarah (Blakeley) Valentine of Taunton. He sold the homestead and now lives on Main street. Mr. McGill has been a member of the board of selectmen, superintendent of streets, and has held other positions of trust and of responsibility. Children:

Hester, b. Oct. 31, 1899.

James K., b. Jan. 5, 1901.

Thomas S., b. June 15, 1904.

### McKENZIE

1. John<sup>2</sup> McKenzie (Murdock<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 27, 1830, Pictou, N. S., m. 1852 Christina, dau. of John and Margaret McLeod of Pictou, b. Aug. 14, 1828, d. June 19, 1885. Mr. McKenzie was a farmer and owned the Josiah Draper place on Center street. His children were all born in Truro, N. S. Children:

- (2) Roderick M., b. Mar. 3, 1853.

Isabel M., b. Nov. 22, 1855, m. 1880, Frank O. Cripps.

Christina M., b. May 27, 1857, m. 1876, Frank McDonald, N. S.

Barbara A., b. May 27, 1857, d. Oct., 1865.

Kathryn, b. June 15, 1859, m. 1885, Edwin A. Brownville.

E. Elinor, b. Apr. 6, 1862, m. 1889, Thomas McKenzie.

John A., b. Sept. 18, 1866, m. 1888, L. Ada Burns, res. Newton.

2. Roderick<sup>3</sup>, Murdock (John<sup>2</sup>, Murdock<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 3, 1853, m. Jan. 2, 1886, Maude Stiles, dau. William Henry and Wil-

helmina (Stevens) Wright, b. Sept. 14, 1864. Mr. McKenzie purchased land in 1887 and built on Centre street, where he now lives. Children:

Harold L., b. Oct. 30, 1886.

Kitty M., b. June 27, 1888.

Archibald E., b. Nov. 24, 1895, d. Aug. 12, 1899.

Arthur E., b. Nov. 25, 1893, d. July 22, 1894.

3. George<sup>2</sup> (Murdock<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 21, 1835, Pictou, N. S., m. Oct. 6, 1858, Mary A., dau. of Michael and Mary J. (Elliot) Maguire, b. May 11, 1839, Pictou, d. Sept. 15, 1911. He d. 1914. Mr. McKenzie was for many years a resident of Dover, and owned the Joseph Cheney farm on Pine street. He worked for Josiah Whiting for a long time in the years when he was engaged in manufacturing hoops for the West India trade. Children:

Murdock F., b. Jan. 4, 1860.

May J., b. Oct. 11, 1861, d. Apr. 28, 1900.

John W., b. Oct. 2, 1863, d. May 20, 1904.

George H., b. June 13 1865, d. June 12, 1882.

Josiah W., b. Aug. 3, 1867, res. Boston.

### McNAMARA

1. Patrick<sup>2</sup> McNamara (John<sup>1</sup>), b. County Limerick, Ireland, Apr. 20, 1840, m. Nov. 22, 1870, Mary Breagy, b. County South, Ireland, Feb. 20, 1844. He d. Dec. 7, 1901. Mr. McNamara's father purchased the Capt. Samuel Fisher farm on Walpole street and he built on land which was a part of his father's estate. Children:

Catherine Theresa, b. June 1, 1872, m. John Colleran, W. Newton.

John Henry, b. Feb. 5, 1874, m. Mary E. Mahan, res. Allston.

Margaret Mary, b. March 11, 1876, res. Newtonville.

Nicholas James, b. Sept. 30, 1877, m. Abbie McGovern, res. Allston.

Patrick Henry, b. July 21, 1879, m. Helen M. Lovett, res. Cambridge.

Mary Francis, b. May 12, 1882.

William Arthur, b. March 15, 1884, m. Hannah Sullivan, res. Allston.

Elizabeth Cecelia, b. Jan. 13, 1887.

2. Matthew<sup>2</sup> (John<sup>1</sup>), b. County Limerick, Ireland, Sept. 23, 1841, m. Aug. 12, 1873, Bridget McGrath, b. County Clair, Ire-

land, Nov. 30, 1849. He d. Apr. 27, 1896. Mr. McNamara bought the Jonathan Upham farm on Springdale avenue, where his family was reared. Children:

Mary Frances, b. May 23, 1874, m. Richard Tenanty, res. W. Newton.  
 John Henry, b. Sept. 23, 1875, d. Aug. 4, 1889.  
 Stephen Maurice, b. Nov. 30, 1876, res. West Newton.  
 Matthew Charles, b. Sept. 20, 1878, res. Newtonville.  
 Daniel Thomas, b. Sept. 7, 1880, d. Sept. 9, 1890.  
 George Francis, b. Dec. 1, 1881, res. Westwood.  
 Katherine Cecelia, b. Feb. 24, 1883.  
 Robert Emmet, b. Sept. 12, 1886, res. West Newton.  
 Charles James, b. June 20, 1888, d. July 23, 1889.

### MERRIFIELD

Thomas Merrifield (with his wife Mary) was an early settler in the Springfield Parish, but the date of his coming, or the exact site of his house is unknown. He was one of the petitioners for the organization of the Parish in 1748 and was seated in the meeting-house with his son Timothy in 1769. Soon after he appears as a public charge and it is assumed that he met with an accident or had a severe illness. He was living in Dover in 1784.

A reference to his home is made in a mortgage deed given in 1776 by Aaron Whiting and Theodore Newell to Amos Adams on a forty-acre farm and buildings bounded south by the road leading to the Springfield meeting-house "excepting and reserving 1 acre upon which Thomas Merrifield's house now stands." The house lot of his son Timothy is referred to in a description of the dower of Lois Draper made in 1786, "excepting and reserving 12 rods square where the house of Timothy Merrifield did stand which is within the said bounds." Both places are believed to have been on Farm street. The town has had a remarkably small number of persons who have asked for aid, as shown by the records of the town. Those who became a public charge, for the most part, either bore the infirmities of age or had been incapacitated by the misfortunes or accidents of life.

The enumeration of supplies furnished the poor in the neces-

saries of life—wood, sometimes 5 cord lots, milk, rice, beef, salt pork, boots, shoes and clothing, shows that they were well supplied—and the payment of doctor's bills shows that they were well cared for. Children :

Sarah, b. Sept. 27, 1736.

Timothy, b. Jan. 4, 1739, m. May 22, 1766, Lydia Cheney, m. 2ndly, June 10, 1772, Mercy Perry, Sherborn.

Asaph, b. Jan. 2, 1741, m. Feb. 2, 1764, Abigail Richardson.

Phebe, b. Aug. 7, 1742, m. Feb. 20, 1766, Seth Ellis, Medway.

Hannah, b. Sept. 14, 1745, Int. of m. 1768 with John Ranstead.

Simeon b. Aug. 7, 1747.

Abraham, b. May 7, 1749.

Mabel, b. Feb. 2, 1752, m. Oct. 9, 1771, John Wight.

### METCALF

1. Samuel<sup>2</sup> Metcalf (Samuel<sup>1</sup>), m. Sybil. He died 1772. Mr. Metcalf was a native of Medway and moved here about 1740. He was one of the fathers of the Springfield Parish in the truest sense of the word. He was watchful of her interests and was often called to officiate in prominent ways. He headed the petition made in 1748 for the organization of the Parish, and was a member of the first board of officers, as well as a member of the committee for the building of the meeting-house. He was a member of the committee appointed to dignify the seats in the new meeting-house and in the evolution of things it is interesting to note how the "dignified seat" in time gave way to family pews,\* which were owned and occupied generation after generation by members of the same family. The ownership of pews led to an exclusiveness which was not consistent with the "house of God" as no one has a right to trespass on private property. The pews were furnished with doors which were carefully closed when the family was seated. The old-fashioned meeting-house had no atmosphere of hospitality, although it must have been a pleasant sight to have seen a father and mother with six or seven children and perhaps a servant, file into the pew and

\*Pews in the First Parish Church are still owned by individuals.

remain during the service. Before coming to this town Mr. Metcalf was a prominent man in Medway; represented the town in the General Court, and was several times elected to the board of selectmen. Children:

- Samuel, bpt. Aug. 22, 1742, settled in Boston.
- (2) Nathan, bpt. Nov. 13, 1743.
  - Lois, bpt. Feb. 14, 1747-8, m. Oct. 31, 1775, Jesse Fisher.
  - Mary, bpt. July 6, 1746, m. 1767, John Fisher, Jr., Needham.
  - Sybil, bpt. Aug. 22, 1742, m. Mr. Mills.
  - Amos, bpt. Oct. 29, 1749.
  - Mehitable, bpt. Aug. 11, 1751, m. 177-, William Fisher.

2. Nathan<sup>3</sup> (Samuel<sup>2</sup>, Samuel<sup>1</sup>), b. in 1744, m. Nov. 21, 1765, Sarah, dau. Josiah and Hannah (Whiting) Richards, bapt. Dec. 22, 1745. He d. July 27, 1785, as the result of a wagon accident. Mr. Metcalf was engaged a limited time in the Revolutionary service, being at the Lexington Alarm and at Dorchester Heights. Children:

- Nathan, b. Mar. 26, 1766.
- John, b. Feb. 24, 1768.
- Calvin, b. Sept. 28, 1772.
- Sally, b. Aug. 26, 1774.
- Ozias, b. Oct. 11, 1781.
- Polly, b. Dec. 23, 1784.

## MILLER

1. John<sup>2</sup> Miller (Lewis<sup>1</sup>), m. Oct. 22, 1793, Sally Fuller of Dedham. He was born in Milton and first lived in Dedham, then in Mendon and later in Dover; he died in Northboro. Miller hill in Dover was named for the family. Children:

- George Lewis, d. in Brazil.
- (2) Aaron, b. ——.
  - John, m. Selenda Smith, res. Worcester.
  - Eliza, m. Dec. 25, 1822, Ebenezer N. Pettee, Natick.
  - Caroline, m. Mr. Estabrook, res. Dayton, Ohio.
  - Abby, m. Mr. Sherman, d. Galveston, Texas.

2. Aaron<sup>3</sup> F. (John<sup>2</sup>, Lewis<sup>1</sup>), m. Sept. 6, 1821, Ann, dau. Dr. George and Pamela (Martin) Caryl, b. Oct. 22, 1802, d.

Feb. 8, 1884. He died Aug. 2, 1840. Mr. Miller was a fine violinist. Of their children Sarah Messenger had a wonderful gift for cutting paper into curious forms. She designed the patterns largely in her head, and her cuttings represented many interesting and historical subjects. Ellen inherited many of the characteristics of her grandfather, the Rev. Benjamin Caryl, and had considerable poetic ability. She was a great reader and eagerly devoured all the books which came into her hands. She was very fond of church attendance and was seldom absent from the family pew. Children:

Sarah Messenger, b. Oct. 8, 1821, d. June 20, 1871.

George Lewis, b. Feb. 16, 1824, d. Oct. 23, 1825.

Ann Eliza, b. June 24, 1826, d. Feb. 6, 1852.

Henry Joseph, b. Aug. 25, 1829, d. Jan. 6, 1835.

Ellen, b. Feb. 7, 1836, d. Dec., 1897.

George Lewis, b. July 28, 1839, m. Esther Singleton, Aug. 16, 1862, d. in the army at Poolesville, Md., Feb. 26, 1863.

## MORSE

Charles<sup>4</sup> Morse (David<sup>3</sup>, Jedediah<sup>2</sup>, David<sup>1</sup>), b. 1784, m. Lucy— He d. April 23, 1843. Capt. Charles Morse lived on the farm owned by the late B. N. Sawin, having moved here from Natick. He was descended from Capt. David Morse who was the first white man with John Sawin to settle in Natick. Children:

Rebecca H., b. Feb. 24, 1812.

John H. W., b. Aug. 12, 1814.

Martha B., b. Oct. 18, 1818.

Nancy, b. Mar. 8, 1820, d. Mar. 25, 1824.

Alexander H., b. Jan. 26, 1825.

Adam<sup>2</sup> Morse (Adam<sup>1</sup>), m. Aug. 31, 1826, Anna N. Cheney. Child:

Anna A., b. Oct. 13, 1826.

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Note.—The Morse family appears in the earliest records of the precinct. Few members, however, lived here for any length of time. The name often occurs in the bounding of property in transfers of real estate.



**MOULTON**

Edwin C. Moulton, m. 1868, Emma M. dau. Calvin and Rebecca (Cady) Ayres, b. July 20, 1849, d. Apr. 11, 1892. He moved to Needham where he now resides. Children:

Arthur E., b. Feb. 1, 1869.

Frank H., b. Mar. 16, 1870.

George S., b. Aug., 1871.

**MURDOCK**

Robert Murdock was a resident of the Parish in 1769, and had several children born here by wife, Margaret, but nothing is known of him or his family. Children:

Margaret, b. Apr. 26, 1769.

Ebenezer, b. Feb. 24, 1771.

Robert, b. Aug. 31, 1773.

**NEWELL**

1. Ebenezer<sup>4</sup> Newell (Josiah<sup>3</sup>, Isaac<sup>2</sup>, Abraham<sup>1</sup>), son Josiah and Hannah (Fisher) Newell, was b. Jan. 4, 1711-12, m. Oct. 7, 1735, Elizabeth, dau. John and Abigail Bullard, b. 1710, d. March 7, 1751-2, m. 2ndly 1753 Elizabeth, dau. Hezekiah and Mary (Draper) Allen, b. Aug. 7, 1731, d. Jan. 8, 1798. He d. Oct. 18, 1796. Mr. Newell was an early settler in the Springfield Parish, having purchased the farm of Daniel Boyden on Strawberry hill in 1748. He was a cooper as well as farmer. He formerly lived in Needham to which place he returned after the sale of his farm in 1769. The Dover families are descended from Abraham and Frances Newell who sailed from Ipswich, England, in the ship Francis in 1634. The Custom House records give the age of Abraham Newell as 50 years and that of his wife as 40 years. They brought with them six children, one of whom, Jacob, was born on the passage. They settled in Roxbury, the year of their landing (1634). Children:

(2) Ebenezer, b. Oct. 18, 1736.

Hannah, b. Apr. 18, 1740, m. Jan. 5, 1764, Capt. Abel Richards.



*W. Rodman Fay's House. Newell settlement, 1792*



*The Norfolk Hunt Club, Eleazer Allen's settlement, 1712*

- (3) Theodore, b. May 20, 1744.  
Elizabeth, b. Feb. 22, 1754, m. Apr. 14, 1774, Moses Fuller.  
Susanna, b. July 15, 1755 (Susie in Dedham Records).  
Mehitable, b. Nov. 4, 1757, m. Aug. 19, 1778, Timothy Smith, Dedham.
- (4) Reuben, b. Jan. 14, 1760.  
Mary, b. Nov. 11, 1762.  
Abigail, b. Nov. 24, 1764, m. Sept. 16, 1784, Daniel Ware.  
Olive, b. Nov. 5, 1766, m. Nov. 8, 1788, Amos Hunting.  
Lois, b. Mar. 31, 1770, m. Jesse Hunting.  
Rebecca, b. Feb. 19, 1773, m. Apr. 21, 1796, Paul Alden.  
Hannah, b. Oct. 1, 1776, m. Amasa Brown.

2. Ebenezer<sup>5</sup> (Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Josiah<sup>3</sup>, Isaac<sup>2</sup>, Abraham<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 18, 1736, m. April 24, 1760, Elizabeth, dau. Caleb and Elizabeth (Fisher) Wheaton of Needham, b. April 10, 1739, d. April 24, 1772, m. 2ndly May 17, 1773, Abigail, dau. Hezekiah and Mary (Draper) Allen, m. 3rdly July 13, 1776, Rachel Ames. He d. Feb. 25, 1797. Mr. Newell lived in various places in town but finally settled at the centre, on the farm now owned by Eben Higgins. He kept a tavern for a time and Parish Meetings were sometimes adjourned to "Newell's Chambers." He was a member of the Dedham board of selectmen for some years, commencing his service in 1764. When the town of Dedham in 1774 passed a vote, forbidding all inhabitants to drink any kind of India tea, Mr. Newell was appointed one of a Committee of three from the Parish to see that this vote was complied with, and to post the names of any who violated this vote. Ebenezer Newell was a Lieutenant in the Revolutionary Army. He took care of the meeting-house and in 1771 was granted an order by the Parish for his care of the meeting-house and sweeping it one year, twelve shillings. He must have been a lover of a good horse, as in 1780, he sold his horse to the Selectmen for use in the Continental Army for £900 (continental money). He was a deacon in the First Parish Church and the District clerk. Children:

- (5) Jesse, b. Sept. 13, 1762.  
Asa, b. Feb. 25, 1764, m. Dec. 2, 1805, Miriam Wight, res. Natick.
- (6) Ebenezer, b. Apr. 11, 1766.  
George, b. Mar. 20, 1769, d. 1860, lived in Needham and Medfield.

Joseph, b. May 20, 1774.  
 Betsey, b. Apr. 21, 1777, m. Edward Colburn.  
 Polly, b. Sept. 27, 1778, m. May 12, 1796, Simon Pettee.  
 Sally, b. Aug. 27, 1780.  
 Calvin, b. July 9, 1782.  
 Nabby, b. Aug. 5, 1784.  
 Rachel, b. June 25, 1786, m. Nov. 11, 1810, Zachariah Whiting,  
 Francetown, N. H.  
 Luther, b. July 19, 1788.  
 Willard, b. Nov. 5, 1790.

3. Theodore<sup>5</sup> (Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Josiah<sup>3</sup>, Isaac<sup>2</sup>, Abraham<sup>1</sup>), b. May 20, 1744, m. Oct. 5, 1771, Anna Eames of Dedham, b. Dec. 25, 1752, d. Shutesbury, Oct. 17, 1833. He d. Nov. 29, 1816. Mr. Newell was a farmer and lived on Pine street, where the late Jonathan Whiting lived. He was elected the first constable and collector of the District of Dover and his first official act as constable was to warn a negro to depart from the District who had been taken into the family of James Draper. In 1804 Mr. Newell moved with his family to Enfield. Children:

Theodore, b. Dec. 16, 1771, m. Apr. 22, 1794, Joanna Wilkinson, res. Enfield.  
 Anna, b. Mar. 16, 1773, d. June 20, 1776.  
 Aaron, b. Nov. 8, 1774, lived at Eaton, N. Y., d. Aug. 12, 1844.  
 (7) Elijah, b. July 23, 1778, d. in Enfield, Dec. 13, 1813.  
 Anna, b. Nov. 6, 1783, m. Oliver Paterson, moved to Ohio.  
 Hannah, b. June 20, 1785, m. 1st, John Paterson, Enfield, m. 2ndly, Daniel Hamilton of Shutesbury.  
 Sophronia, b. May 20, 1791, d. Jan. 10, 1796.

4. Reuben<sup>5</sup> (Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Josiah<sup>3</sup>, Isaac<sup>2</sup>, Abraham<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 14, 1760, m. Nov. 1781, Sarah, dau. Ebenezer and Prudence (Draper), Battelle, b. July 26, 1760. He moved to Dedham, where he went into business in 1801 with Calvin Whitney and Abiather Richards, Jr. Children:

Prudence, b. May 31, 1786.  
 Dolly, b. Sept. 18, 1789.  
 Reuben, b. Feb. 24, 1792, m. Mar. 23, 1815, Abigail Bacon.

5. Jesse<sup>6</sup> (Ebenezer<sup>5</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Josiah<sup>3</sup>, Isaac<sup>2</sup>, Abraham<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 13, 1762, m. Jan. 5, 1792, Hitty, dau. Eleazer and Rebecca

(Mason) Allen, b. Nov. 3, 1773. He d. June 25, 1842. Mr. Newell cleared and settled the farm on Centre street which has continued in the hands of his descendants until recent years. The house where he and his wife commenced housekeeping, although now used for a carriage-house, is in excellent state of preservation. Mr. Newell added to farming the occupation of a weaver and for many years the sound of the loom and the spinning wheel were heard in his home, and for years after when a marriage occurred in the family, the spinning wheel and the loom were kept busy for months, in making a stock of bed and table linen, and homespun blankets, all of which were made in the home for the bride. The homestead occupies a commanding site, and on a fair day the blue outline of Wachusett can be seen fifty miles away. The land which constitutes this farm has been in the family for six generations. In the early years Mr. Newell and his sons walked to church, while the mother rode on horseback with one of the girls seated behind on a pillion. The "sisters" in this family, in the early years of the century, sewed braided straw into bonnets by fitting them to paper patterns, instead of shaping them to plaster-paris blocks which were later introduced. This work was put into families by Rufus Mason, who took the work from a shop in Wrentham. Children:

Rebecca, b. Oct. 18, 1792, d. Aug. 16, 1827.

Charles, b. May 7, 1794, d. Oct., 1872, settled in Medfield.

Hitty, b. Oct. 7, 1795, m. Sherman Battelle, d. July 4, 1842.

(8) Jesse, b. Aug. 13, 1797.

Amy, b. May 19, 1799, d. July 13, 1827.

Dolly, b. Oct. 19, 1801, d. May 8, 1824.

(9) John A., b. June 29, 1803.

Betsey, b. Jan. 8, 1807, m. Jan. 21, 1836. Obed Allen, d. Nov. 23, 1883.

Sarah, b. Jan. 9, 1810, m. Mason Brown, d. Apr. 7, 1843.

6. Ebenezer<sup>6</sup> (Ebenezer<sup>5</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Josiah<sup>3</sup>, Isaac<sup>2</sup>, Abraham<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 11, 1766, m. Aug. 28, 1792, Anna, dau. Col. Daniel and Mehitable (Haven) Whiting, b. Aug. 6, 1770. Mr. Newell settled in South Natick and had a large family of chil-



dren, none, however, are recorded as having been born in Dover. He was a remarkable mathematician, the day he was twenty-one years old while walking alone, he made a mental calculation of the seconds he had then lived and retained and gave without difficulty the total. Children:

Harriet, b. Mar. 31, 1793, m. Apr. 15, 1814, John Heath.  
 Frances, b. July 18, 1795.  
 Elizabeth W., b. May 5, 1798.  
 Nancy W., b. July 11, 1800, m. Rev. William Taylor, Amherst.  
 Lucinda, b. May 18, 1802, m. Benj. Felton, Cambridge.  
 Ebenezer, b. Jan. 2, 1804.  
 William W., b. Sept. 17, 1807, minister Maverick Cong. Church, East Boston.  
 Mehitable W., b. July 31, 1812, m. Rev. James R. Davenport.

7. Elijah<sup>6</sup> (Theodore<sup>5</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Josiah<sup>3</sup>, Isaac<sup>2</sup>, Abraham<sup>1</sup>), b. July 23, 1778, m. Nov. 18, 1802, Priscilla, dau. Enoch and Priscilla (Parker) Davenport, b. July 8, 1783, d. June 4, 1858. He d. Dec. 13, 1813. Mr. Newell removed to Enfield in 1805. Children:

Enoch Davenport, b. Dec. 8, 1803, d. Jan. 1, 1804.  
 Isaac Davenport, b. Aug. 25, 1805.  
 William, b. Sept. 18, 1807.  
 Priscilla P., b. Sept. 17, 1809.  
 Elijah, b. June 17, 1811.  
 Sophronia, b. May 29, 1813.

8. Jesse<sup>6</sup> (Ebenezer<sup>5</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Josiah<sup>3</sup>, Isaac<sup>2</sup>, Abraham<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 13, 1797, m. Feb. 23, 1824, Pamela, dau. David and Rachel (Allen) Cleveland, b. 1799, d. July 27, 1842, m. 2ndly, 1843, Mrs. Lydia N. (Turner) Prince of Boston, she m. 3rdly, William Bunting, Medfield. He d. Nov. 16, 1879. He was a successful farmer and for five years a member of the board of selectmen. Children:

Lucy Maria, b. Jan. 21, 1826, m. James H. Prince, Boston.  
 Eleazer A., b. Nov. 12, 1827, m. Elizabeth Thayer, Elmira, N. Y.  
 Jesse Amory, b. May 18, 1830, res. Corning N. Y.  
 Anna Rebecca, b. Mar. 31, 1833, m. Hosea Towne, Newton.  
 Francis Ebenezer, b. Jan. 27, 1836, m. Sophia Hall, Roxbury.  
 Denzil M., b. Oct. 25, 1843, res. Needham.  
 Emma P., b. May 1, 1845, m. George Ricker, Medfield.  
 Betty E., b. Oct. 25, 1848, m. Cyrus Bullard, Medfield.

9. John A.<sup>7</sup> (Jesse<sup>6</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>5</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Josiah<sup>3</sup>, Isaac<sup>2</sup>, Abraham<sup>1</sup>), b. June 29, 1803, m. Jan. 6, 1833, Caroline, dau. Obed and Caroline (Harding) Allen, b. Dec. 14, 1806, d. Aug. 2, 1885. He d. Sept. 21, 1894. Mr. Newell was a farmer and lived on the homestead on Centre street. Mr. Newell, who is still remembered, died in his 92nd year and retained all of his powers and facilities until near the close of his life. When past 90 he mowed in the field with his scythe as he had been accustomed to do for more than three-fourths of a century. He continued his interest in public affairs and did not fail to deposit the Democratic ticket at the November election up to the close of his long life. It was an impressive scene in our American life, so prone to change, to witness one who had been for so many years identified with one political party. With the slight war tax that is now imposed (1915) in revenue stamps on express packages, telegrams, etc., there was at first a mild protest, as most people had forgotten that fifty years ago nearly every commodity, with the exception of food, was taxed in the United States and the revenue stamp was as familiar as the label or trade mark today. Children:

John A., b. Oct. 28, 1835, m. 1863, Diana E. Willard, res. Medfield.

Harriet, b. Jan. 3, 1840.

Sarah, b. Feb. 19, 1843, m. July 24, 1870, Alden Derby.

William, b. May 9, 1847, d. Aug. 14, 1885.

Caroline, b. Feb. 3, 1850.

10. Josiah<sup>6</sup> (Josiah<sup>5</sup>, Josiah<sup>4</sup>, Josiah<sup>3</sup>, Isaac<sup>2</sup>, Abraham<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 23, 1775, m. June 10, 1801, Betsey, dau. James and Lydia (Chickering) Mann, b. 1782, d. Aug. 15, 1846. He d. Nov. 18, 1859. Mr. Newell was for many years engaged in iron manufacturing at Charles River where he lived. He also had a grocery store and later added dry and fancy goods. Mr. Newell had a hall here where gatherings of all sorts were held. We would here record the fact that religious services, with a Sunday School, were held here in 1833. The Revs. Richie, Sanger, Kendall and Kimball were preachers. How long these

services continued is not known. A strong temperance wave passed over the town in 1833. At a meeting held in Dover, forty-one took the pledge. He resided in Dover nearly 50 years and was one of the most prominent and respected citizens. He was for many years clerk of the First Parish Church of which he and Mrs. Newell were consistent members, having united with the church under the ministry of the Rev. Benjamin Caryl. Children:

Josiah, b. May 7, 1802, d. June 11, 1803.

Josiah, b. May 12, 1804, merchant in Boston.

Samuel, b. Feb. 12, 1806, was in iron business, died in Newton.

Betsy, b. Apr. 22, 1808, d. Oct. 27, 1809.

Elizabeth, b. Apr. 3, 1810, m. Frederick Barden.

Isaac Newton, b. Aug., 1812, d. Sept. 25, 1813.

Martha, b. May 22, 1815, res. Newton.

(11) Benjamin, b. Mar. 16, 1818.

James Montgomery, b. Mar. 14, 1821, merchant in Boston, d. 1866, on board vessel 19 days out for Italy, and was taken back in same vessel and buried in Forest Hills Cemetery.

11. Benjamin<sup>7</sup> (Josiah<sup>6</sup>, Josiah<sup>5</sup>, Josiah<sup>4</sup>, Josiah<sup>3</sup>, Isaac<sup>2</sup>, Abraham<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 16, 1818, m. Sept. 23, 1845, Elizabeth Ann, dau. Abraham and Elizabeth (Walton) Pike of Newburyport, b. April 13, 1818, d. Nov. 15, 1896. He d. May 3, 1896. Mr. Newell was a prominent citizen. He engaged in manufacturing. In 1867 he sold his estate in Dover and moved to Newton Upper Falls, where he spent the remaining years of his life. Children:

Josiah Benjamin, b. Aug. 9, 1847, m. Nov. 18, 1868, Carrie M., dau.

William M. and Harriet (Mills) Richards, b. July 28, 1846, d. Aug. 25, 1876, m. 2ndly Sept. 11, 1877, Carrie D., dau. James Perrin and

Cordelia (Merryfield) Colburn of Westwood, b. June 26, 1855, resided, Newton Upper Falls. He d. Sept. 28, 1895.

Martha E., b. Feb. 14, 1852, m. Oct. 26, 1875, Gurdon H. Tucker of Boston Highlands.

## NICHOLS

John<sup>7</sup> Quincy Adams Nichols (Nathaniel<sup>6</sup>, Jesse<sup>5</sup>, Benjamin<sup>4</sup>, Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 7, 1829, m. May 20, 1851, Evelina Eames, dau. Hiram and Lucy (Griggs) Jones, b. Dec.

29, 1831, d. Mar. 16, 1895. He d. Feb. 24, 1881. The Nichols family trace their descent from Richard Nichols who settled in Ipswich in 1639. Mr. Nichols lived on Main street and built the house now owned by Frank H. Winchenbach. He settled in Dover soon after his marriage and engaged in the manufacture of boots and shoes. He left town with his family in 1863 and went to Elmira, N. Y. where he formed a partnership first with A. S. Derby and later with J. Richardson and continued the business of manufacturing boots and shoes. He was subsequently in business for himself. Child:

Lucy Griggs, b. Oct. 8, 1853, m. Oct. 21, 1873, Charles Davison.

### NORTON

1. Rev. Thomas<sup>3</sup> S. Norton (Allen<sup>2</sup>, Elijah<sup>1</sup>), son of Allen and Mehitabel (Snell) Norton, was born in Ware, Nov. 25, 1813. He m. Sept. 8, 1842, Julia Ann, dau. Gideon and Julia (Wait) Cooley of Conway, b. Jan. 21, 1815, d. Mar. 31, 1876, m. 2ndly, Mar. 27, 1877, Mrs. Louisa Holt, dau. Alvah and Betsey Kiser, b. Wilmington, Conn., d. Sept. 1898. He. d. Mar. 14, 1891. Mr. Norton graduated at Amherst College in 1840 and pursued his theological studies at East Windsor Seminary. He was ordained and settled over the Congregational Church at Sullivan, N. H., Feb. 4, 1846, where he remained until March, 1859. He came to Dover the same year, as pastor of the Evangelical Congregational Church. He was very earnest and faithful in his labors and was held in high esteem by his people. He was a faithful member of the school committee and as a citizen was diligent in every good work. Mr. Norton was the first Secretary of the Band of Hope and earnest in the work of this juvenile temperance organization. He was an indefatigable worker in the temperance cause and an ardent prohibitionist. It could be said of him that he lived as he prayed. After a pastorate here of nearly a decade, he preached for the Congregational churches at Northbridge, Beachwood, and Prescott, Mass. After

closing his active labors in the ministry he returned to Dover where he spent the remaining years of his life. Children were all born at Sullivan, N. H.

- (2) Thomas C., b. July 7, 1846, m. Jan. 6, 1870, Edella D. Chickering Julia G., b. Mar. 6, 1849, m. Mar. 27, 1873, Walter C. Clark; she d. Sept. 21 1891.

Lewis C., b. May 5, 1851, m. Mar. 25, 1873, Evalyn S. Putnam of Northbridge. Mr. Norton is the inventor of the Norton self-closing door spring, which is widely used on cars and public buildings. He has two children, Clifford and Lillian.

2. Thomas<sup>3</sup> Cooley (Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Allen<sup>1</sup>), b. July 7, 1847, m. June 6, 1870, Edella D., dau. James and Phebe Ann (Thompson) Chickering†, b. Nov. 17, 1848. He d. June 2, 1883. Child by adoption.

Harry, b. Nov. 18, 1877, d. Oct. 11, 1916.

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†The following names should be added to the list of those who attended school out of town, given in the appendix to the historical address delivered at the dedication of the new school house, 1910, Needham High School: J. Gertrude Norton, Lewis C. Norton, Sarah A. Goulding, Edella D. Chickering; Burgess School, Dedham, William Bigelow, Frank Bigelow.

## OTIS

Edmund<sup>7</sup> Burke Otis (George Alexander<sup>6</sup>, Ephraim<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), son of George Alexander and Anna M. (Hickman) Otis, was b. Mar. 18, 1822, m. Aug. 30, 1843 Maria Sewall, dau. Celpha Montague and Maria Raymond (Sewall) Gunn, b. Mar. 31, 1816, d. April 29, 1863; m. 2ndly Sept. 5, 1866, Maria C., dau. Lorenzo and Hannah C. (Kent) Harding, b. Mar. 23, 1839, d. June 15, 1896. He d. March 4, 1884. Mr. Otis was born in Quincy and was descended in the seventh generation from John Otis who was born in Barnstable, Devonshire, England in 1581. He drew a house lot in the first division of land in Hingham in 1635 and was the first ancestor of which the American family has any knowledge. He took the freeman's oath in 1635-6. His place of residence in Hingham was on Otis hill, still so called, southwest of the harbor, a beautiful slope of land.

Edward Burke Otis, graduated from Harvard in 1872; he was a fine linguist and had seven languages at his command. He was reared in a home of culture; his father George Alexander Otis, translated the first history of the American Revolution written in Italian by Botta. Mr. Otis was highly praised for his work and received complimentary letters from President Jackson and ex-President Adams. George Alexander Otis was born just at the close of the Revolution, he was well advanced in life when his son Edmund B. Otis was born and as the latter was forty-five years old when his son Alexander Otis was born, two generations carries the present Mr. Otis back to the birth of the nation. Edward B. Otis' mother was a prominent abolitionist and her home on Boylston Place was a center for the men prominent in that movement including William Lloyd Garrison and Wendell Phillips. Mr. Otis was not, however, at all in sympathy with the abolitionists of that day believing them responsible for bringing on the Civil War, he was what is known as a war Democrat. Although he practiced law Mr. Otis originally studied for the ministry and always found his chief pleasure in literary pursuits. As a young man he was private secretary to Prescott, the historian. Mr. Otis not only translated for him many of the Spanish manuscripts relied upon for his knowledge of Mexico and Peru but materially assisted in compiling these standard works for which he received due credit from Prescott. Mr. Otis was frequently invited to lecture and one of his most popular lectures was "The Spaniard in America" founded upon his work with Prescott. Children:

George Edmund, b. 1843, graduated from Harvard Law School in 1869, lived in Dover for a time, practiced his profession in Boston, but subsequently moved to Redlands, California, where he practiced law and was elected a county judge. He died in 1907.

Alexander, b. Aug. 26, 1867, graduated from Cornell Law School, 1897, a practicing attorney in New York City. He is the author of three novels, "Hearts are Trumps," "The Man and the Dragon," "Coponset-by-the-Sea."

Kate, b. Oct. 22, 1869, is a teacher of French and German in the Springfield public schools.

Margaret, b. Oct. 26, 1871, has received the degree of Ph.D. from



Cornell, a prominent psychologist and a valued contributor to educational journals.  
 Marian Isabel, b. Nov. 5, 1873.

### PAINE

1. John<sup>2</sup> Roger Paine (John<sup>1</sup> R.), b. June 1, 1808, at Center Harbor, N. H., m. Apr. 23, 1840, Abigail, dau. Elnathan and Polly (Draper) Hammond, b. Aug. 12, 1818, d. Mar. 2 1905. He d. June 3, 1885. Mr. Paine built on Center street in 1851. He was a mill operator and worked at Newton. Children:

(2) Irving A., b. May 14, 1841.  
 Orlando H., b. Dec. 16, 1844, d. Feb. 23, 1880.

2. Irving<sup>3</sup> A. (John R.<sup>2</sup>, John R<sup>1</sup>), b. May 14, 1841, m. May 1, 1883, Benedicta C. E. Bishoff, b. Breslau, Germany, Feb. 1, 1859. Mr. Paine lives on the homestead on Center street and has added to farming the manufacture of straw and husk horse collars. Children:

Benedicta H., b. Oct. 4, 1886.  
 Elizabeth E., b. Mar. 31, 1889.  
 Francesca A., b. Oct. 1, 1892.  
 Jennie G., b. June 13, 1894, d. Aug. 3, 1896.  
 Orlando I., b. Jan. 4, 1895.  
 Bessie M., b. Apr. 8, 1897, d. Apr. 13, 1897.  
 Frederick W., b. Apr. 15, 1898, d. Aug. 13, 1898.  
 Josephine E., b. Nov. 30, 1899, d. Feb. 27, 1900.  
 Janet B., b. Aug. 18, 1901, d. Aug. 18, 1901.

3. Barnabas<sup>6</sup> (Barnabas<sup>5</sup>, Barnabas<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Jonathan<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), son of Barnabas and Hannah (Coon) Paine was born in Truro, Aug. 18, 1833, and was descended from Thomas Paine, who came to America from Cornwall, England; he was one of the first settlers in Truro, where he had a numerous posterity. Mr. Paine married Nov. 27, 1858, Maria, daughter of Lewis and Maria (Holbrook) Goulding, b. May 5, 1840, d. Dec. 20, 1906. A few years after their marriage (1865) Mr. Paine built on Springdale avenue. He was a carpenter and builder doing much contract work in Dover and surrounding towns. He



*R. M. Tappan's House. Jonathan Whiting settlement, 1755*



*Henry Goulding House showing ell which was the West School House of 1784*

was a prominent citizen and for many years a member of the board of selectmen and overseer of the poor, also town treasurer. He died Mar. 20, 1900. Children:

- (4) Lewis B., b. Sept. 19, 1855, m. Apr. 28, 1886.  
 Bertha F., b. May 2, 1863, m. Sept., 1887, Clarence O. Hudson.  
 Frank C., b. Sept. 14, 1868, d. Mar. 28, 1888.  
 Fannie C., b. Sept. 14, 1868, m. Dec. 24, 1901, Geo. H. Burgess,  
 m. 2ndly June 27, 1914, Gustaf L. Headberg.  
 Ernest W., b. Mar. 20, 1873, m. May 19, 1897, Alice M. Remmele,  
 res. Newton.  
 Estella M., b. Mar. 13, 1878, m. May 1, 1915, Herbert De Winter.

4. Lewis<sup>7</sup> B. (Barnabus<sup>6</sup>, Barnabus<sup>5</sup>, Barnabus<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Jonathan<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 19, 1859, m. Apr. 28, 1886, Ada, dau. Joshua and Mary (Newsome) Graham, born in Batley, Yorkshire, England, Jan. 16, 1864. Mr. Paine lives on Dedham street, where he built in 1891. He was for a time proprietor of the store on Springdale avenue, which was burned in 1901. He is a carpenter by trade. Mr. Paine was for some years chairman of the board of assessors. Children:

- Laura M., b. Aug. 13, 1888, m. Dec. 14, 1912, Arthur S. Hamilton.  
 Charles G., b. Dec. 22, 1891, grad. Mass. Institute of Technology.

## PARMENTER

1. Freeman<sup>8</sup> A. Parmenter (Curtis<sup>7</sup>, Artemus<sup>6</sup>, Joshua<sup>5</sup>, Amos<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), son of Curtis and Mary J. (Dwinell) Parmenter was born in Framingham Aug. 31, 1849, m. Nov. 27, 1873, Lucy E., dau. of Henry and Emeline (Edwards) Goulding, b. Nov. 11, 1852, d. Nov. 1, 1886, m. 2ndly Oct. 10, 1888, Matilda, dau. Henry and Emeline (Edwards) Goulding, b. Mar. 15, 1847. John Parmenter, the progenitor of this family, was an English Puritan, who was a proprietor of Sudbury, where he assisted in laying out the town in 1639. He later moved to Roxbury, but his son, John, Jr., continued to live in Sudbury, where he kept a house of entertainment. Some years after his marriage Mr. Parmenter settled in Dover, having purchased from the heirs the farm of his father-in-law at the



foot of Smith street. He was for many years a successful farmer and a prominent citizen of the town. In 1914 he moved with his family to Franklin. Children:

\*George F., b. Mar. 26, 1877, m. Martha E. Ellis, professor in Colby, Waterville, Me.

Elmer H., b. Nov. 27, 1881, d. Sept. 3, 1907.

Lucy M., b. Mar. 22, 1886, d. May 30, 1893.

\*Ernest B., b. Mar. 15, 1892, m. Sept. 7 1916, Maud A. Murdock, res. Franklin.

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\*Graduate Mass. Agricultural College.

### PEPPELOW

1. John Peppelow, m. 1759, Eve, dau. William and Hannah (Chenery) Peters, b. 1737. The exact date of his settlement here cannot be determined. He was living in a low, one-story house near the residence of William Welch on Farm street as late as 1792. The elm tree which shaded his dwelling still spreads its branches, but the family and the old weather-beaten house have long since disappeared. Child:

Hannah, b. Mar. 14, 1761.

### PERRY

1. Samuel<sup>5</sup> Perry (Abel<sup>4</sup>, Samuel<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. 1767, m. Oct. 1789, Olive, dau. Jonathan and Ruth (Eames) Rice. He died May 6, 1818. Mr. Perry was descended from John Perry, who was born in England and was the first of the family to come to America. He arrived here in 1631 in company with John Eliot and became a member of the Roxbury Church. The Perrys were long connected with Dover and were prominent and respected citizens. Samuel, who came from the adjoining town of Natick, was the first to settle here. Elijah Perry and other Natick families were annexed to the Dover Parish by an act of the General Court and continued for many years to worship here and to take books from the Proprietors' Library. Samuel Perry purchased the original Michael Bacon farm on the Clay

brook road. He was drowned one spring evening by falling from the bridge which crosses the river on the Cheney estate—then called Loring's Bridge—during a severe thunder storm. Children:

Otis, b. 1791, d. 1806.

Nabby, b. 1792, m. Isaac Greenwood, Natick.

(2) Lowell, b. 1794.

Stephen, b. 1796, settled in Providence.

Kezia, b. 1798, m. Mason Brown.

(3) Jonathan, b. Aug. 7, 1800.

Eliza, b. 1801, m. Otis S. Travis, Natick.

Lucy, b. 1803, m. Alvin Knowlton.

Samuel, b. 1805, settled in Lowell.

Fanny, b. 1809, m. Albert G. Whipple, Providence.

2. Lowell<sup>6</sup> (Samuel<sup>5</sup>, Abel<sup>4</sup>, Samuel<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. 1794, m. 1819, Harriet, dau. William and Kezia (Drury) Perry of Natick, b. May 10, 1802. He was a captain in the militia and a prominent citizen.

Farmers in his day not only made their own whip stocks and axe halves, but braided their own whip lashes as well; strands were cut from raw hide and braided into whip lashes which did not suffer in comparison with the finished product purchased at country stores and when applied to oxen did great execution. Mr. Perry lived on the homestead. Children:

Otis, b. Dec. 12, 1819, d. 1836.

Maria, b. Feb. 5, 1828, m. C. C. Leland, Natick.

Arvilla, b. July 6, 1838, m. Reuben Winch.

Harriet, b. Aug. 24, 1840, m. William Cole, Seekonk.

3. Jonathan<sup>6</sup> (Samuel<sup>5</sup>, Abel<sup>4</sup>, Samuel<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 7, 1800, m. Jan. 25, 1827, Margaret Nickless, b. Jan. 25, 1806, d. Feb. 27, 1848, m. 2ndly Sept. 18, 1850, Phebe, dau. Abijah and Betsey Johnson of Lowell. He d. Aug. 1882. Mr. Perry was a man of determined character and at the time of his death was one of the oldest residents in Dover. In early life he learned the trade of a shoemaker, but later was for ten years an overseer in a carding room in Lowell. He subsequently



bought the old homestead and made farming the business of the remaining years of his life. He was of large stature and commanding presence and a man of few words. On the occasion of his serving as a juror in the Norfolk County Court, he failed to agree with his colleagues. On his return home he remarked that "he had served on a jury with eleven contrary men." A neighbor said of him, "He was a man of large figure and dignified presence, was distinguished for independence of mind, for strength of will and strong convictions and feelings, but a man of few words and not socially inclined." Children:

Jonathan, b. Dec. 1, 1827, d. June 17, 1828.  
 Margaret, b. Jan. 10, 1830, m. Jedediah Mann.  
 Jonathan, b. in Lowell, Oct. 15, 1832, d. Aug. 28, 1833.  
 Abigail, b. in Lowell, Nov. 10, 1833, d. July 15, 1834.  
 Nancy, b. in Lowell, May 19, 1835, d. Sept. 15, 1836.  
 Caroline, b. in Lowell, Aug. 15, 1837, d. Sept. 6, 1837.  
 Ann, b. July 22, 1839, d. Dec. 13, 1864.  
 George, b. Mar. 4, 1841, resided in Lowell.

4. Elijah<sup>7</sup> Jr. (Elijah<sup>6</sup>, Samuel<sup>5</sup>, Samuel<sup>4</sup>, Samuel<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 14, 1807, m. Nov. 29, 1832, Mehitabel, dau. Jonathan and Mercy (Day) Battle, b. July 27, 1807, m. 2ndly, Jan. 1857, Mrs. Malvina R. Wood. He d. Nov. 28, 1884. Mr. Perry lived on the Battle homestead on Centre street from 1840 to 1850, when he moved to South Natick. He was prominent in town and county affairs. He represented the town in the General Court in 1846. He was associated with Otis Pettee and Edgar K. Whitaker in gaining a charter in 1849 for the Charles River Branch Railroad. He was chairman of a committee who made extensive improvements and alterations in the cemetery in 1843. Mr. Perry was one of the organizers and a vice-president of the Norfolk Agricultural Society and was deeply interested in its welfare, in the years when it was the aim of the societies to give a bona fide agricultural show for the education and benefit of all interested in agricultural pursuits. In those years neighbors and friends from all the surrounding country came to the fair to see each other, have friendly chats on local news, and

compare one another's crops, domestic animals, flowers and household products. The exhibition of agricultural implements was always of interest. The occasion was an annual outing for the farmer and his family and afforded much enjoyment. Mr. Perry was a member of the State Board of Agriculture and at one time a guardian of the Natick Indians. Children:

Caroline M., b. in Natick, Aug. 5, 1834, m. Otis Chickering.

Elliot, b. in Natick, Aug. 14, 1837, res. South Natick

Leonard B., b. Jan. 10, 1841, res. Buffalo, N. Y.

Ellen E., b. May 13, 1847.

### PETTINGILL.

Stephen Pettingill, b. 1781, m. Rebecca, dau. Thomas and Bathsheba (Morse) Larrabee, b. Oct. 12, 1782, d. Dec. 10, 1856. He d. Jan. 30, 1819. Mr. Pettingill was a farmer and lived on the Day place at the foot of Strawberry hill street. Children:

Josiah, b. Oct. 12, 1807.

Almira, b. Mar. 23, 1810, m. Mar. 15, 1834, Sherman Bowers, Needham.

Mary A., b. Nov. 9, 1812, m. Nov. 28, 1833, Samuel Bemis, Needham. d. Apr. 24, 1891.

Stephen, b. Feb. 10, 1818, res. Needham.

### PLIMPTON.

John<sup>5</sup> Plimpton (Silvanus<sup>4</sup>, Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), son of Silvanus and Hannah (Phipps) Plimpton, was b. 1775, m. March 22, 1808, Nancy, dau. David and Levina (Wetherbee) Gardner, b. Aug. 2, 1782. He died in 1852.

This family is descended from John Plimpton, who came over with the Winthrop party and was a tailor by trade. He was made a freeman in 1643 and received into the Dedham Church. He was in Medfield for a while, but went to Deerfield in 1673 and settled on the grant made to the town of Dedham, in exchange for land given the Natick Indians on the south side of Charles river. During King Philip's War he was captured with

others and carried to Canada. It is believed that he was burned at the stake by the Indians. The family in the early time was noted for its courage, and members were for many years prominent residents of Medfield. John Plimpton settled in Dover about 1800; his farm was at the foot of Smith street (now owned by James S. Lee). It is presumed that this was originally a part of his father's farm, as the two places adjoined, although in different towns. As Mr. Plimpton's farm lay off the highway, he had much trouble about a right of way. After much wrangling Smith street was laid out by the County Commissioners and Mr. Plympton soon after moved to Southboro, Mrs. Plimpton's native place.

### PROCTOR.

Joseph<sup>3</sup> Henry Proctor (Joseph<sup>2</sup> B. Benjamin<sup>1</sup>), son of Joseph B. and Helen S. (Montgomery) Proctor, was born in Lexington Feb. 16, 1843. Mr. Proctor is descended in the third generation from Benjamin Proctor, who came to the United States from Halifax, N. S., when only eight years of age. His father was the captain and a part owner in a vessel which was sunk during the war with France and Great Britain (1744) Benjamin Proctor was bound out to Levi Lane of Boston to learn the trade of a sailmaker. The original papers of indenture are still preserved. Joseph Henry Proctor has lived in Natick, Dover, Boston, and is now a resident of Petersburg, Mich. He married Sept. 7, 1864, Elizabeth Ellis, dau. of David Ellis, and Martha Ann (Whitney) Allen of Dover; she died Apr. 23, 1906. Children:

David Allen, b. Aug. 18, 1866, m. June 21, 1893, Fannie M. Bibber, res. Hornell, N. Y.

Mollie Antoinette, b. Feb. 27, 1868, d. Mar. 12, 1871.

Joseph Montgomery, b. Feb. 18, 1871, d. Nov. 21, 1876.

Alfred Whiting, b. Feb. 14, 1873, d. Nov. 27, 1876.

Charles Herbert, b. Mar. 15, 1877, d. Mar. 6, 1881.

Eliza Montgomery, b. July 25, 1886, m. July 21, 1906, Wm. F. Peters.

## PUTNAM

Mason<sup>2</sup> Putnam (Reuben<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 20, 1784, m. in Boston, May 19, 1807, Alona Holbrook of Sherborn, b. Aug., 1786, d. Dec. 31, 1837. He d. Aug. 10, 1872. Mr. Putnam moved from Dedham, with his family in 1821, and for a time lived in Dover. He had a grocery store in connection with his small farm, which was in the extreme easterly part of the town on Dedham street, (Thomas Smith place). Mr. Putnam was a son of Dea. Reuben Putnam of Sutton, now Millbury. Of their eight children only one was born in Dover, John Prince Putnam, who became a very successful business man. He went to California soon after the discovery of gold and engaged in the lumber business, in which he was very successful. He returned to Massachusetts in 1856 and entered the firm of Henry Thayer & Co., manufacturing chemists of Cambridgeport. In later years this firm became one of the largest of its kind in the country. Mr. Putnam had a fine country residence at Sturtevant Hill, Winthrop, Maine, which he made one of the finest estates in the central part of the state. He was twice married and at his death, a wife and three children survived him. Children:

Maria A., b. Oct. 24, 1808, d. in Cambridge, Mar. 13, 1866.

Sarah E., b. in Holliston, Apr. 22, 1810, d. in Winthrop, Me., Jan. 15, 1870.

Hannah H., b. in Medway, Feb. 14, 1812, d. June 23, 1859.

Harriet J., b. in Roxbury, May 7, 1814, d. in Boston, Dec. 30, 1889.

Edwin M., b. in Roxbury, May 2, 1816, res. Boston.

Matilda G., b. in Roxbury, Sept. 19, 1818, d. Oct. 1, 1819.

George W., b. in Roxbury, Aug. 21, 1820, died in Holliston, Oct. 14, 1856.

John Prince, b. Aug. 25, 1832, d. June 17, 1890.

## REED

1. Josiah Reed, b. 1702, m. Elizabeth ——. He moved here from Needham and was for many years a resident of the Parish. He owned the farm now occupied by George C. Taylor on Walpole street. He d. Mar. 9, 1786. Children.

- (2) John, b. Oct. 16, 1741.  
 Ruth, b. Sept. 19, 1743.  
 Susanna, b. Apr. 9, 1745.  
 Mara, b. Mar. 2, 1746.

2. John<sup>2</sup> (John<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 16, 1741, m. Mar. 12, Sybel, dau. James and Sybel (Littlefield) Cheney, m. 2ndly, Elizabeth ——. Mr. Reed lived in the centre of the Parish and was for a time the proprietor of a tavern. Later owned Allen F. Smith's place on Centre street and had a house of entertainment as late as 1781, competing with his neighbor, Ebenezer Newell. He was a butcher and supplied the residents with meat, being the first person in the parish to engage in this business. He was a tax collector in Dedham and very active in raising soldiers for the town during the Revolution, he was paid in 1782 for furnishing 6,775 pounds of beef for the Continental army. Mr. Reed had a numerous family but only one of his children was born here, although several were married while residents of the town. Children:

Susanna, b. Sept. 8, 1785, m. Jan. 26, 1806, Lewis Gates, Newfane, Vt.  
 John, Int. of m. 1818, with Offey Clapp, Chester, Vt.  
 Betty, m. May 14, 1788, Elijah Dewing.  
 Josiah, m. May 5, 1791, Hannah Gookin.  
 Sally, m. June 13, 1798, Jason Morse, Sherborn.

## RICHARDS

1. Josiah<sup>4</sup> Richards (Edward<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, Edward<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 23, 1713, m. Sept. 22, 1737, Hannah, dau. Nathaniel and Joanna (Ellis) Whiting, b. July 3, 1718, d. April 1, 1788, she m. 2ndly, April 6, 1774, Nathaniel Whiting of Roxbury. Mr. Richards died Oct. 24, 1771. He was the father of fourteen children, eight of whom were boys. His sons all took part in the Revolution, a most remarkable instance. He lived on Strawberry hill street on the farm now owned by John Parkinson, Jr. He was the first of the family to settle in Dover. All of this name in Dover are descended from Edward Richards, who arrived in





*Charles W. Plympton's House built 1767*





*Sheep were once raised on every Dover farm*

America Sept. 16, 1632 on the ship "Lyon" from London. He lived in Cambridge until 1636. He was received as one of the proprietors of Dedham in 1636-7 and was the sixty-second signer of the social compact. "On ye 17th of ye 5 mo. 1640, he was received into ye church giving good satisfaction." He was married Sept. 10, 1638, to Susan Hunting and she was received into the church "19th 11mo. 1640." In 1641 he took the freeman's oath and in 1646 was chosen selectman and served in this office for nine years. Mr. Richards had more means than most of the Dedham settlers and received large grants. In 1657-8 a precious cedar swamp was apportioned to seventy-nine proprietors of which, with the exception of the Rev. Mr. Allin, the minister of the town, he received the largest grant. Perhaps his aspirations, as it has been said, were higher than those of other settlers as he obviously aspired to a manor and was not content with an ordinary farm.

His homestead was the Rev. Dr. Burgess place not far from the Dover line. He received no grant of land from the town of Dedham for a house and it is believed that he came here independently, having purchased an extensive tract, which had been granted by the General Court to Mr. Cook. Children:

(2) Lemuel, b. Jan. 22, 1737-8.

(3) Moses, b. Dec. 11, 1739.

Hannah, b. Nov. 1, 1741, m. Nov. 10, 1762, John Battle.

(4) Asa, bapt. Oct. 9, 1743, moved to Ashford, Conn.

Sarah, bapt. Dec. 22, 1745, m. Nov. 21, 1765, Nathan Metcalf.

(5) Thaddeus, b. Nov. 14, 1747, m. Mary Colburn, res. Ashford, Conn.

(6) Josiah, b. Nov. 15, 1749, m. May 11, 1778, Sarah Shuttleworth.

(7) Solomon, b. Oct. 21, 1751, m. Sarah Richards.

Mary, b. Jan. 11, 1754, m. Nov. 23, 1774, Isaac Smith, Walpole.

Lucy, b. May 21, 1756, m. 1779, Josiah Battelle.

(8) Abijah, b. July 2, 1758, m. Abigail Mansell.

(9) Jesse, b. Sept. 28, 1762, m. Nov. 13, 1788, Sarah Fisher.

Betsey, b. —.

2. Lemuel<sup>5</sup> (Josiah<sup>4</sup>, Edward<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, Edward<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 22, 1737, m. June 14, 1764, Rebecca, dau. Joseph and Rebecca (Newell) Chickering, b. Aug. 4, 1746, d. Dec. 30, 1838. Lieut. Lemuel Richards was for many years a prominent citizen. He lived

on Dedham street on land inherited by his wife from her father's estate. He first built on the Philip C. Stanwood place but later settled on that part of the farm which is now owned by A. H. Parker. The many references to Mr. Richards in the town records show that he was ever watchful of his own interests. He was a selectman and tax collector in Dedham and a member of the Committee of Correspondence in 1781. We are able to give through the courtesy of Charles H. Mitchell, a picture of Indian stone relics gathered in Dover. The farm of Lemuel Richards is especially productive of these relics as it was the home of Noanet and his tribe. The northerly slope of the Stanwood land was once an Indian burying ground as Mr. Mitchell tells us. Children:

- (10) Joseph, b. Apr. 20, 1765.  
     Rebecca, b. Sept. 4, 1766, m. 1784, David Dana.  
     Lydia, b. Jan. 21, 1768, m. 1786 Ira Draper, Jr., Dedham.  
     Edward, b. Oct. 7, 1769, d. young.  
     Abigail, b. Nov. 2, 1771, d. young.  
     Abigail, b. July 29, 1773, d. young.
- (11) Jabez, b. Mar. 6, 1775.  
     Lemuel, b. —, d. young.  
     Deborah, b. —, m. Dec. 14, 1795, Jesse Glover West Dedham.  
     Abigail, b. —, m. Ira Draper, Sudbury.  
     Sarah, b. —, m. 1803, Seth Blake.

3. Moses<sup>5</sup> (Josiah<sup>4</sup>, Edward<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, Edward<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 11, 1739, m. Dec. 8, 1762, Mehitable, dau. John and Mehitable (Sherman) Battelle, b. Dec. 25, 1743. He lived on the Ebenezer Battelle place on Strawberry hill, which was long since abandoned. He moved to Warwick, but was living in Dover in 1801. Child:

Mehitable, b. May 28, 1772, m. Dec. 24, 1789, Perez Allen.

4. Asa<sup>5</sup> (Josiah<sup>4</sup>, Edward<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, Edward<sup>1</sup>), bapt. Oct. 9, 1743, m. Oct. 26, 1774, Drusilla, dau. William and Sarah (Ellis) Bullard, b. May 4, 1752. He was a cooper and lived on a part of his father's estate on Strawberry hill. He sold his

farm in 1783 to his brother, Solomon Richards, and moved to Ashford, Conn. Child:

Reuben, b. Oct. 25, 1776.

5. Thaddeus<sup>5</sup> (Josiah<sup>4</sup>, Edward<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, Edward<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 14, 1747, m. 1770, Mary, dau. Joseph and Dorothy (Draper) Colburn, b. 1747. He moved to Ashford, Conn., with his family in 1776. Mrs. Richards died in Ashford and he married a second time. Children:

Thaddeus, b. Mar. 25, 1771, d. Apr. 16, 1776.

Molly, b. Sept. 28, 1772, m. John Ellis.

Ephraim, b. Mar. 2, 1774, m. Susannah Cheney.

Abigail, b. May 14, 1776, m. Sabin Baker.

Cate, b. —, m. a Mr. Utley and d. in Cincinnati.

Hannah, b. Aug., 1785, m. Archibald Babcock.

Jabez, b. —.

Moses, b. —, m. Miss Bicknell, res. Ashford.

Sylvanus, b. —, m. Lucy Chaplin res. New York.

Tryphena, b. —, d. Ashford.

6. Josiah<sup>5</sup> (Josiah<sup>4</sup>, Edward<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, Edward<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 15, 1749, m. May 11, 1778, Sarah, dau. Samuel and Abigail (Whiting) Shuttleworth, b. July 25, 1754. He was in the Revolution and took part at Bunker Hill and Monmouth. Mr. Richards moved with his family to Washington, N. H., about 1780. The Rev. Abner Morse, in his Richards Genealogy, gives the following without stating his authority:

Josiah Richards, in the battle of Bunker Hill, fired twenty-four rounds, knocked down a British officer with the butt of his musket and retreated, running directly over the body of Gen. Warren. One night, being on guard, Washington, to test his fidelity, as he was want to do in other cases, appeared before him, whom he challenged with, "Who comes there?" A friend," Washington replied. "Friend, advance and give the countersign." Washington gave the wrong name. "Stand," exclaimed Josiah, "the countersign is not right." "It is of no consequence," said Washington, "I am your commander-in-chief and *must* pass as I have urgent business." Josiah presented his bayonet and told him if he advanced another step he would run

him through. Washington turned, went to the officer of the guard, took his name and the next day sent for him, clapped him on the shoulder adding: "My good fellow, you were faithful and true last night and I will see you promoted." Children:

Peyton, b. Feb. 21, 1779, m. Sally Copeland.

Nancy, b. Sept. 19, 1780, m. Apr. 1, 1804. Nath. Whiting, West Dedham.

Newton, b. May 25, 1782, d. aged 12 years.

Josiah, b. May 30, 1784, m. Emily Haskell.

Leonard, b. June 11, 1786, m. Elizabeth Vance.

Willard, b. Aug. 28, 1788, m. Relief Whitney.

Clarissa, b. July 29, 1791, m. Phineas Battelle, res. Orange.

Waitstill, b. Oct. 25, 1793, m. Samuel Smith.

7. Solomon<sup>5</sup> (Josiah<sup>4</sup>, Edward<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, Edward<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 21, 1751, m. Mar. 3, 1775, Sarah, dau. Nathaniel and Mary (Whiting) Richards, b. Dec. 12, 1755, d. Oct. 14, 1849. He died Oct. 9, 1834. Mr. Richards lived on the homestead on Strawberry hill, but moved with his family to West Roxbury in 1804. Capt. Solomon Richards was for many years commander of a company of cavalry, and an early and zealous Whig. On the morning of the Battle of Lexington he was met, on his way to Boston, with the report that the British were on their march to Concord: and as he was turning his course for Dover, to rally men to the scene of conflict, up rode a man direct from Boston contradicting the report. Capt. Richards instantly marked him for a tory, took him prisoner, bound him upon his own horse and escorted him to the Peacock tavern at Jamaica Plain and detained him until the truth could be known. In the meantime a body of soldiers arrived and demanded the tory that they might handle him during their halt. But Capt. Richards and the tavern-keeper resisted their demands, insisted upon giving the man a trial, and through their well-known patriotism prevailed and saved the man from the gallows, but not from thirty-nine lashes ordered by the court. Richards Genealogy. Children:

Paul, b. Dec. 5, 1775, d. Mar. 29, 1776.

Lucy, b. July 18, 1780, m. May 5, 1802. John Bullard, Dedham.



Nathaniel, b. Oct. 21, 1784, m. June 9, 1814, Mary Murdock, West Roxbury. Mr. Richards resided in Hingham and was President of the Hingham Bank.

Isaac D., b. July 31, 1794, m. 1829, Maria Thayer of Boston. He was a grocer.

8. Abijah<sup>5</sup> (Josiah<sup>4</sup>, Edward<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, Edward<sup>1</sup>), b. July 2, 1758, m. Nov. 18, 1780, Abigail Mansell of Scituate. He was a cooper and lived on the homestead on Strawberry hill. His widow had rooms assigned her in the house, also the weaving shop adjoining. In this shop there was later held the first school in the east part of Dover. He d. 1789. Children:

Anna, b. 1781 m. Apr. 4, 1799, Isaac Felton, Needham.

Abigail, b. —, m. Nov. 30, 1800, Eli Parsons, Bristol, Conn.

Mary, b. —, m. Apr. 3, 1804, Chas. Hunnewell, Dedham.

Abijah, b. July 17, 1787, m. Sally Jones, res. Hartford, Conn.

9. Jesse<sup>5</sup> (Josiah<sup>4</sup>, Edward<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, Edward<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 28, 1762, m. Nov. 13, 1782, Sarah, dau. Jeremiah and Sarah (Dean) Fisher, b. Mar. 5, 1765. He was a hatter and settled in Roxbury. He sold his interest in his father's estate in 1789. Children:

Rufus, b. 1781, d. Aug. 31, 1829.

Sarah, b. Mar. 15, 1783, m. June 22, 1809, Ebenezer Dewing, Roxbury.

10. Joseph<sup>6</sup> (Lemuel<sup>5</sup>, Josiah<sup>4</sup>, Edward<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, Edward<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 20, 1765, m. Chloe, dau. Joseph and Mary (Everett) Fisher, b. Mar. 10, 1771, d. Dec. 19, 1825. He owned the farm near the "New Mill." Mr. Richards was a member of the committee selected by the Parish to extend their call to the Rev. Mr. Sanger. He developed soon after his settlement, however, a strong opposition to him on political grounds. At this stormy time in Dr. Sanger's ministry a number of friends\* (March, 1816,) addressed a communication to him asking for the continuance of the pastoral relation and promising a faithful support as far as a full and prompt payment of his salary afforded the

\*It is an interesting fact that among the most prominent of this number were the men who had united with the church during Mr. Carlyl's ministry.



means. In his thirtieth anniversary sermon Dr. Sanger refers to the faithfulness of his friends in the following words: It now gives me special pleasure to record the fact that every one of those, so far as my knowledge extends, has fulfilled his pledge. Not one of them has failed. At this time when the unworthy doctrine of repudiation is advocated by some bodies, I rejoice to record the honorable fact that in this town a number of private individuals have for more than a quarter of a century maintained an uninterrupted and sacred regard to the pledge which they had given. Later Dr. Sanger preferred charges against Mr. Richards and he withdrew from the church and joined another communion. He later moved with his family to Concord. Children:

Edward, b. Apr. 25, 1790, settled in Nashville, Tenn.

Joseph, b. Nov. 28, 1792, res. Concord.

Lemuel, b. Oct. 29, 1794, res. West Roxbury.

Danforth, b. Sept. 3, 1796, res. West Roxbury.

Willard b. Feb. 15, 1799, went to the West Indies.

Mary F., b. Feb. 16, 1809, m. Horace Parmenter Boston.

11. Jabez<sup>6</sup> (Josiah<sup>5</sup>, Lemuel<sup>4</sup>, Edward<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, Edward<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 6, 1775, m. Feb. 6, 1798. Elizabeth Ruggles, m. 2ndly 1804, Mrs. Eliza Burnham of Ipswich. Children:

Hannah, b. May 15, 1798.

Jabez, b. —.

Charles, b. —.

Sarah, b. —, d. young.

Silas, b. —, res. New Bedford.

12. William<sup>7</sup> M. (William<sup>6</sup>, Samuel<sup>5</sup>, Timothy<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Edward<sup>1</sup>), b. Canaan, N. Y., Dec. 31, 1813, m. Mar. 9, 1840, Harriet, dau. Joseph and Mary (Fiske) Mills, b. Nov. 26, 1819, d. July 17, 1907. He died June 28, 1882. Mr. Richards lived for many years on Center street near Fisher's Bridge. (Charles Plympton's farm.) He was a carpenter, and for some years station agent at Charles River. He later moved to Medfield. Children:

Charles E., b. Feb. 19, 1841, m. Nov. 20, 1867, Elizabeth Dearborn, Malden.

- (13) J. Franklin, b. Oct. 26, 1844.  
 Caroline M., b. July 28, 1846, m. Nov. 19, 1868, J. Benj. Newell,  
 d. Aug. 25, 1876.  
 Harriet L., b. Jan. 31, 1850, m. Apr. 18, 1894, Frank Paige, res.  
 Brockton.  
 Clarence, b. July 13, 1852, d. Aug. 8, 1853.

13. J. Franklin<sup>8</sup> (William<sup>7</sup>, William<sup>6</sup>, Samuel<sup>5</sup>, Timothy<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Edward<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 26, 1844, m. Sept. 30, 1869, Ellen Eliza, dau. James and Mary O. (Bullard) Draper. Mr. Richards is a carpenter by trade and in 1895 moved to Southern Pine, N. C. With his brother-in-law, Dana C. Hanchett, he built the Glen street house in 1878. Child:

Sybil Louisa, b. Feb. 23, 1881.

14. Thomas<sup>4</sup> (Edward<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, Edward<sup>1</sup>) b. Oct. 3, 1718, m. Nov. 17, 1748, Rebecca, dau. Nathaniel and Joanna (Ellis) Whiting, b. Apr. 2, 1725, d. Nov. 29, 1779, m. 2ndly 1783, Nancy Swift. He d. Mar. 8, 1791. Mr. Richards cleared the farm now owned by Richard W. Hale on Strawberry hill, having settled here previous to 1748. He purchased in 1753 the uncompleted saw mill of David Wight on Noanet's brook. Here he had a saw mill for many years. The location can still be seen south of the "New Mill" site. Children:

- (15) Richard, b. Dec. 5, 1749, m. Hannah Bird,  
 Rebecca, b. July 11, 1751, m. Apr. 30, 1771, David Colburn.  
 Edward, b. Oct. 25, 1753, d. Oct. 30, 1758.  
 Catherine, b. Aug. 7, 1755, m. Oct. 31, 1775, Ebenezer Smith.  
 Olive, b. June 23, 1758, d. Aug. 18, 1763.  
 Chloe, b. Jan. 1, 1761, m. David Richards.

15. Richard<sup>5</sup> (Thomas<sup>4</sup>, Edward<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, Edward<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 5, 1749, m. May 11, 1780, Hannah, dau. John and Mary Bird of Needham, b. Feb. 8, 1757, d. Feb. 1825. He d. August, 1826. Mr. Richards lived on that part of his father's farm on Strawberry hill which is now owned by Hubbard C. Packard. Children:

Olive, b. Feb. 27, 1781, m. Dec. 19, 1799, Joseph Colburn, Needham.

(16) Calvin, b. Oct. 4, 1782, m. Lucinda Leland, Sherborn.

(17) Luther, b. Apr. 20, 1786.

Hannah, b. Dec. 22, 1791, m. Jared Allen.

16. Calvin<sup>6</sup> (Richard<sup>5</sup>, Thomas<sup>4</sup>, Edward<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, Edward<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 4, 1782, m. Lucinda, dau. Jonathan and Mary (Leland) Leland, b. 1786. He d. in 1836. Mr. Richards lived on his grandfather's farm on Strawberry hill street. This family has always been prominent in all municipal affairs. Calvin Richards, senior, was for many years one of the selectmen and was the town's first representative to the General Court. For forty years Dover was associated with Medfield in forming a representative district, and during this entire period the latter town had the entire representation, except two years (1830-1), when the district was represented by Calvin Richards. Mr. Richards was town clerk and for many years a member of the board of selectmen. Children:

Mary Ann, b. Feb. 8, 1806, m. Apr. 10, 1825, Seth Wight, Bel-  
lingham.

(18) Calvin, b. Sept. 29, 1807, m. Lucy M. Mann.

Daniel L., b. July 1, 1809, d. 1826.

Hannah B., b. June 23, 1816, d. Jan. 9, 1817.

Emeline A., b. Aug. 6, 1819, m. 1839, Chas. H. Fitts, Medway.

Rebecca W., b. Feb. 11, 1822, m. Rev. Wm. M. Thayer, Franklin.

Lewis M., b. Mar. 19, 1823, m. Eliza Harding, res. Medfield.

Addison, b. Nov. 19, 1826, m. Elizabeth Ellis, res. Jacksonville,  
Fla.

17. Luther<sup>6</sup> (Richard<sup>5</sup>, Thomas<sup>4</sup>, Edward<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, Edward<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 27, 1786, m. Apr. 20, 1808, Mary, dau. Levi Sawin of Natick, b. 1788, d. Feb. 26, 1844. He died July 15, 1830. Mr. Richards lived on the farm developed by his father on Strawberry hill. Children:

(19) Luther, b. Apr. 27, 1809.

Louisa, b. Dec. 21, 1812, d. Feb. 14, 1893.

Mary B., b. June 11, 1816, m. Geo. B. Dunbar, Brockton.

Emily A., b. 1817, d. Sept. 28, 1821.

Nancy, b. Mar. 2, 1821, m. Ephraim Noyes, merchant, San Fran-  
cisco and New Mexico.

18. Calvin<sup>7</sup> (Calvin<sup>6</sup>, Richard<sup>5</sup>, Thomas<sup>4</sup>, Edward<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, Edward<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 29, 1807, m. May 25, 1841, Lucy M., dau. Daniel and Rachel (Allen) Mann, b. Feb. 22, 1842. He died Oct. 4, 1873. Mr. Richards was prominent in all town affairs. He was a moderator of town meetings, and for many years a member of most committees appointed to consider the affairs of the town. He was many times elected a member of the board of selectmen and school committee. He also represented the town in the General Court. He was a prominent member of the First Parish Church and deeply interested in the establishment of the First Parish Library, of which the old Proprietors' Library formed the nucleus. In early life Mr. Richards was engaged in business in Boston, but on account of ill health was obliged to retire. He occupied the farm of his father on Strawberry hill, and was a successful and prominent farmer. He was interested in the Norfolk County Agricultural Society and was one of the promoters of the institution. Children:

Lucy M., b. Feb. 22, 1842, m. June 11, 1863, Dr. J. G. Townsend, So. Natick.

Jane A., b. Jan. 30, 1844, m. Oct. 30, 1877, Rev. Joseph Sheafe, res. Harvard.

Annie M., b. May 12, 1859, d. Sept. 25, 1862.

19. Luther<sup>7</sup> (Luther<sup>6</sup>, Richard<sup>5</sup>, Thomas<sup>4</sup>, Edward<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, Edward<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 27, 1809, m. May 1, 1839, Abby F., dau. John F. and Polly I. (Osgood) Wilson, d. July 30, 1840, m. 2ndly, Elizabeth F., dau. Artemus and Anna C. Conant of Stow, d. Oct. 5, 1867. He d. July 1, 1876. Mr. Richards was for some years town clerk and one of the selectmen. In 1853 he represented the town in the convention called to amend the Constitution of Massachusetts. He engaged in the leather business in Boston, where he resided for a time. He lived on the ancestral farm on Strawberry hill owned by the late Arthur F. Dodge. When the Sunday school became a feature of the First Parish Church Mr. Richards was chosen the first superintendent. His successors to date (1900) have been Calvin Richards, D. J.

Goss, Rev. Edward Barker, Theodore Dunn, Rev. George Proctor, I. Henry Howe, A. K. Tisdale, Capt. George Scott, Rev. C. S. Locke, Frank Smith, Mrs. G. D. Everett, Mrs. G. C. Whiting, Mrs. Helen M. Jones, George D. Burrage, C. M. Koopman.  
Children:

Irving W., b. June 17, 1840, d. Aug. 20, 1840.

Anna E., b. Sept. 3, 1847, d. Oct. 24, 1851.

Luther C., b. June 24, 1849, d. Dec. 9, 1849.

Mary A., b. Oct. 6, 1850, d. June 2, 1852.

20. Luther<sup>6</sup> (Abiatha<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Edward<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 24, 1771, m. May 27, 1794, Polly, dau. Ebenezer and Hannah (Allen) Battelle, b. Aug. 5, 1774. He d. Dec. 25, 1832.  
Children:

Polly, b. May 28, 1795, m. Calvin Howe, Dedham.

Martin, b. July 14, 1797, m. Harriet Angier, res. Dedham.

Mehitable, b. May 15, 1800, m. Nathan Phillips.

Miranda, b. Aug. 21, 1803, m. Austin Bryant.

(21) Luther, b. Sept. 4, 1806, m. Betsey Mann.  
Elizabeth, b. July 30, 1811, m. Joshua S. Bailey, Somerville.  
Alvan, b. Mar. 30, 1816, d. unmarried, Nov. 22, 1844.

21. Luther<sup>7</sup> (Luther<sup>6</sup>, Abiatha<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Edward<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 4, 1806, m. Oct. 14, 1834, Betsey, dau. Daniel and Rachel (Allen) Mann, b. June 30, 1813, d. Sept. 26, 1868. He died Feb. 21, 1860. Mr. Richards lived on the farm on Dedham street, now owned by his daughter, Miss Alice M. Richards. Mr. Richards moved soon after his marriage to New York City. Children:

Isabel F., b. Mar. 23, 1837, m. John C. Coombs.

Daniel W., b. Oct. 12, 1840, res. New York City and Needham.

Alice M., b. Dec. 24, 1848.

22 William<sup>5</sup> (Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, James<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, Edward<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 12, 1746, m. Aug. 27, 1774, Abigail Stratton at Cambridge. He d. Dec. 27, 1835. No children blessed this union and Mr. Richards adopted William, son of his brother David, who was known as William Richards 2nd. He lived on the Ebenezer

Richards farm on Dedham street. In those days housekeeping was an art prized above all others and girls were taught the intricate problem.

23. William<sup>6</sup> 2nd (David<sup>5</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, James<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, Edward<sup>1</sup>), b. May 4, 1791, m. Olive —, d. June 15, 1826, m. 2ndly Nov. 27, 1828, Mary, dau. Elijah and Mary (Jones) Perry, b. 1801, d. 1889. He d. in 1865. Mr. Richards received the farm on Dedham street (Frederic H. Curtis's place) by will from his aunt, where he lived until 1834, when he sold the farm and moved to South Natick. He was a prominent citizen and a member of the board of selectmen. Children:

Abigail S., b. May 25, 1818.

Mary D., b. Aug. 23, 1831, d. May 4, 1836.

Martha, b. 1835, d. Dec. 12, 1836.

24. Ebenezer<sup>5</sup> (Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, James<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, Edward<sup>1</sup>), b. July 16, 1744, m. 1769, Hannah, dau. Noah and Thankfull (Jackson) Wiswall, b. Mar. 31, 1745, d. Nov. 12, 1787. He d. Aug. 11, 1784. The town clerk made this record: "The first death since Dover was incorporated." Mr. Richards settled here at the time of his marriage in 1769 and cleared the farm on Dedham street now owned by Frederic H. Curtiss. A home on the river, or its vicinity, meant in the early time an abundance of fish, as the stream teemed with various varieties, as pickerel, perch, eels and horn pouts, sometimes called catheads. Shad and alewives passed up the river in the spring, as shown by the fact that the Indian built weirs to catch them. Noanet's weirs are early spoken of in the town's records. In the division of this estate in 1791 the farm fell to Ebenezer, Jr., who was the only heir twenty-one years of age." He settled in Newton and sold the farm in 1792 to Abigail, wife of his uncle, William, who settled here. Children:

Ebenezer, b. Jan. 11, 1770, m. Hannah White, res. Newton.

Noah Wiswall, b. Sept. 16, 1771, d. Dec. 27, 1851, res. Roxbury.

John, b. July 6, 1773, d. young.



Hannah, b. Mar. 25, 1775, m. Antipas Jackson, Roxbury.

Sally, b. June 1, 1777, res. West Roxbury.

Betsey, b. July 19, 1779, m. Abner Child, Jamaica Plain.

John, b. Oct. 22, 1781, d. Nov. 3, 1829, m. Mary Barrett.

### RICHARDSON

Amos Richardson, m. Apr. 13, 1837, Mrs. Eliza Parish. He lived in town for some years, but the place of his residence is not known. He was engaged in teaming for the rolling mills. Children:

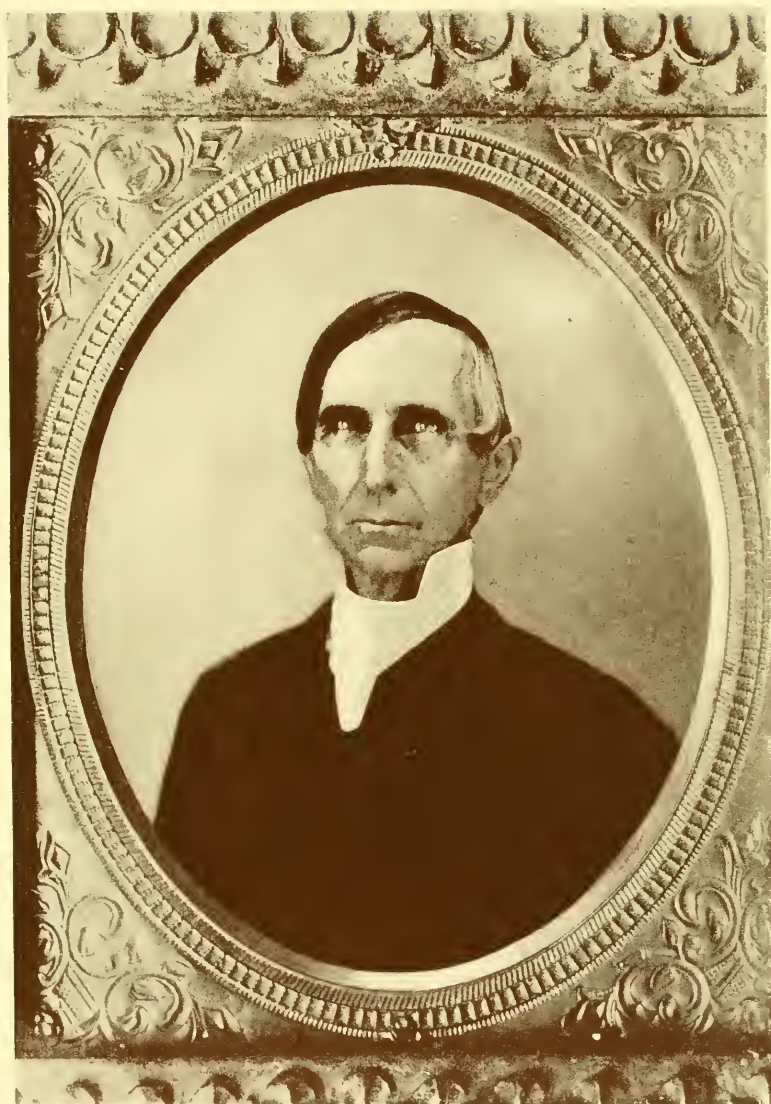
Eliza Jane, b. Oct. 26, 1837.

Harriet Maria, b. Dec. 7, 1839.

James Henry, b. Apr. 7, 1842.

### SANGER

Ralph<sup>6</sup> Sanger (Zedekiah<sup>5</sup>, Richard<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>), son of Zedekiah and Irene (Freeman) Sanger, was b. June 22, 1786, m. June 17, 1817, Charlotte, dau. of Ezra and Susannah (Whitman) Kingman, b. Aug. 5, 1792, d. Dec. 1, 1881. He d. May 6, 1860. Dr. Sanger was the second town minister, and continued in the office for nearly fifty years. He was commonly styled by the townspeople Priest Sanger. He was a son of Rev. Dr. Zedekiah Sanger, whom Sprague has placed among his fifty most eminent Congregational Unitarian ministers of America. This family is descended from Richard Sanger, who had land assigned him in Hingham in 1636, and who is said to have been the first of the name to emigrate to this country. Ralph Sanger was born in Duxbury, but spent most of his youth in Bridgewater, his father having accepted a call to the South Bridgewater Parish in that town. Dr. Sanger graduated from Harvard in 1808 and received the highest honors of his class. In 1809 he taught in a Latin school at Concord. The next year he was appointed tutor in mathematics at Harvard and held the position for two years. In 1812 he accepted a call to the Dover First Parish Church and remained



*Rev. Ralph Sanger, D.D.*



*The Neponset River, which has its source in Dover*

pastor until his death in 1860. The last two years of his life he was senior pastor and resided in Cambridge. He received the degree of Doctor of Divinity from Harvard in 1857. He was a faithful and devoted minister, greatly beloved by his church and highly esteemed by the community. Clergymen were supposed to be settled for life and were rightly called minister, for they were the valued friend of every family in the parish, called in sickness and in death; advised in weighty personal matters and offered congratulations or condolence, as the occasion required. The day annually set apart for the visit of the minister and his wife was eagerly looked forward to in most families. Religious sentiments have greatly changed in the last twenty-five years. In Dr. Sanger's day his people would not have tolerated an exchange with his neighbor, the Rev. Theodore Parker of the West Roxbury Parish. In the writer's boyhood days Parker was called an "atheist in the pulpit" even by Unitarians. Today we are assured that he would be welcome in any liberal church, Unitarian or Trinitarian; the radical of our generation becomes the conservative of the next. It is recalled that John F. Ford, a prominent citizen, was an ardent admirer of Parker's and a parishioner of his before coming to Dover. Dr. Sanger had charge of the public schools for forty years, and made more than eight hundred visits to them. He was the second postmaster, and held the office for many years. Although he never moved the office to his house, Isaac Howe was deputy postmaster and continued the office at the old tavern stand. He represented the town for three terms in the General Court and was for one year a Chaplain of the Senate. He was deeply interested in gaining railroad facilities; in the advancement of agriculture, temperance and every good work. The wonder has been often expressed that Mr. Sanger could bring up so large a family and send two sons to college on a salary of \$500 a year and the use and improvement of the Parish wood lot. It must be remembered that he was the town minister and expected to hold the office for life. While donation parties were not in



order, yet most families felt called upon during the early years of his ministry to contribute at least something of their good store towards supplying the minister's cellar and larder with fruit, vegetables and various provisions. He was given rye and Indian meal, butter, eggs and cheese, fowls, beef, pork and veal, and "green sauce," as vegetables were called. Mr. Sanger kept his own cow, and did some little farming. Mrs. Sanger had a colored woman, Polly Green, who worked in the kitchen and sat in the "nigger pew" on Sunday. She was devoted to the family and appreciative of every attention shown her. Dr. Sanger was especially interested in the lyceum, an institution peculiar to New England, and was instrumental in organizing the Dover Lyceum in 1831. Since it has so largely disappeared it may be well to record some facts relating to it, as originally instituted, by one who appreciates its worth and work. The old-time lyceum was the mind and soul and heart of New England seeking the right way to think and feel and do. It was the latest thought, the hidden emotion, the pained and outraged conscience of New England seeking expression. As regards its platform it stood for knowledge, high character, devotion to an idea and for an oratory so natural and highly trained that to stand on it acceptably to the people was reputation. The old-time lyceum was not a system of entertainment only, but a method by which the wants of the people along lines of profound moral, ethical reformation, thinking and feeling, could be met. That is what the old-time lyceum platform was, and as such it stood as regards its audiences, for the highest education, the ripest culture and the noblest aspiration of the people. At the time of Dr. Sanger's settlement, and for many years afterwards this was a people who dwelt in pastoral simplicity. The only means of public conveyance was by a line of stage coaches which for a time daily passed through the town. The women were money-saving members of the community, and the boys and girls were taught to improve their time, a discipline which was of great value to them, illustrating Theodore Parker's saying that "work is an

education." "The education of a child," some one has said, "is an all-round process, and he or she owes only a part of it to school or college training." Dr. Sanger furnished the means of education and improvement in a carefully selected library of half a thousand volumes, which consisted largely of English classics, history, biography, science and travel. These books were selected with the greatest of care, and included a few of the standard novels of the day. The young people grew up strong intellectually and many became omnifarious readers of good books. The influence of that early library is still felt in the lives of the older residents, and was very marked in the lives of Dr. Sanger's children.

The social life of the times is well described by Maria Adams Cobb, who says: "We were attendants of the First Parish Church in the time of Dr. Sanger. I remember Dover in its prime a town of great social activity for its size. There were social gatherings at the houses, tea drinking, parties at which the young people played games, spelling schools, singing schools at the Centre, and dances to which people came from all the surrounding towns. Nowhere could they have a better time than at Dover—nowhere could they get a better supper."

George Partridge Sanger graduated from Harvard in 1840 the second in his class; taught a private school for boys at Portsmouth, N. H., for two years; Latin tutor at Harvard for three years; while reading law, was District Attorney for Suffolk County; judge of the Court of Common Pleas; President of the John Hancock Life Insurance Company; Representative to the General Court from Cambridge; Editor of the American Almanac for many years; associated with Mr. Richardson by appointment of the Governor for arranging and consolidating the General Statutes of the Commonwealth, and was United States District Attorney for twelve years, first appointed by General Grant.

Simon Greenleaf Sanger graduated from Harvard in 1848 and devoted his life to teaching, having taught in Massachu-



setts, New York City, Vicksburg, Miss., Alexandria, Va., and for more than twenty years in Chicago.

Irene Freeman Sanger taught school in Dover, Burlington, Vt., Andover, and for more than twenty years was connected with a young woman's school—Gannett Institute, in Boston. Children:

Ralph, b. Mar. 31, 1818, d. Mar. 31, 1850, in New Orleans.

George Partridge, b. Nov. 27, 1819, d. July 3, 1890, res. Cambridge.

Charlotte Kingman, b. Aug. 17, 1822, m. William W. Gannett, Cambridge.

John White, b. Mar. 15, 1824, d. Sept. 16, 1866, at Shanghai, master of a vessel.

Simon Greenleaf, b. Mar. 9, 1827, res. Chicago, Ill.

Irene Freeman, b. Aug. 13, 1830, res. Andover.

### SAWIN.

1. Levi<sup>6</sup> Sawin (John<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>), b. 1760, m. 1783 Lurana, dau. Elisha and Jemima (Toblin) Morse, b. May 3, 1765. He d. 1857. Mr. Sawin was descended from John Sawin, who came to this country in 1650, and is believed to have been the ancestor of the American family. He was a son of Robert Sawin of Boxford, England. It is said that John Sawin, son of Thomas, was the first white child born in the Indian town of Natick. Levi Sawin settled in Dover in 1800 and lived for a time on the farm owned by the late Elbridge L. Mann. He had a family of thirteen children, four of whom were born in Dover. Six died in infancy. Only one, Joel, continued to live here. Thomas E. Sawin, in a "Summary of Sawin lineage," says, "Levi, b. 1760, Universalist, was in the Continental Army about 14 mo." He lived in various places in town and was in the employ of Daniel Mann. Children:

(2) Joel, b. June 27, 1784.

Mary, b. 1788, m. Luther Richards, Dover.

Lurana, b. Apr. 10, 1799, m. Samuel Jones.

Levi, b. May 28, 1801, d. Dec. 31, 1802.

Clarissa, b. Feb. 21, 1805, m. Amos Colburn.

Selinda, b. Sept. 28, 1808, m. 1828 Chas. Scott.

Sophia, b. —.

2. Joel<sup>7</sup> (Levi<sup>6</sup>, John<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>), b. June 27, 1784, m. 1809, Polly, dau. Hezekiah and Mary (Mansell) Battle, b. Sept. 7, 1784, d. Dec. 19, 1882. He d. 1849. Mr. Sawin lived on the Hezekiah Battelle farm on Centre street. His son, Isaac W. Sawin, was a prominent physician in Providence, R. I. He was a graduate of the Western Homeopathic College, the Cleveland University of Medicine and Surgery, and took a course of postgraduate study in Europe. He was president of the Rhode Island Homeopathic Society and a visiting physician of the Rhode Island Homeopathic Hospital from 1866 to 1892, and was annually elected a consulting physician as long as he lived. Dr. Sawin was a senator of the American Institution of Homeopathy. He married, Jan. 1, 1849, Olive Short, dau. Samuel and Rachel (Martin) Budlong. Dr. Sawin died Feb. 1, 1906. He retained a deep interest in his native town. Children:

Lewis L., b. Jan. 13, 1810, m. E. B. Whiting, 2ndly E. B. Wood, res. Norwich, Ct.

Leander L., b. Mar. 26, 1811, d. Feb. 14, 1836.

Mary M., b. May 19, 1813, m. Mar. 17, 1846, Dexter Baker.

Malvina M., b. Feb. 16, 1815, d. July 5, 1815.

Rebecca B., b. Aug. 31, 1820, m. July 2, 1840, L. P. Jennison.

Isaac W., b. Dec. 30, 1823, res. Providence.

3. Calvin<sup>7</sup> (Jesse<sup>6</sup>, John<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>), b. March 25, 1789, m. April 21, 1818, Hannah, dau. John and Hannah (Loker) Felch of Natick, b. Aug. 31, 1789, d. March 4, 1880. He died Dec. 24, 1847. Mr. Sawin was born in Princeton, and was an only son in a family of seven children, all of whom settled in Natick or vicinity. Mr. Sawin took up his residence in Natick, the home of his ancestors, where his children were born. He purchased the Capt. Chas. Morse farm on the Clay brook road (Benj. N. Sawin and E. F. Phelps farms) to which he moved his family. Children:

(4) Calvin H., b. Dec. 13, 1820.

(5) Benjamin N., b. Feb. 9, 1823.

(6) Warren, b. July 17, 1825.

4. Calvin<sup>8</sup> H. (Calvin<sup>7</sup>, Jesse<sup>6</sup>, John<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 13, 1820, m. Nov. 27, 1844 Ede L., dau. Moses and Ede (Learned) Gilmore, b. April 8, 1825, d. Oct. 6, 1848, m. 2ndly July 23, 1850, Sarah F., dau. Abner and Sally (Rogers) Rogers, b. Mar. 20, 1821, d. Nov. 20, 1860. He died June 16, 1886. Mr. Sawin was a carpenter by trade and lived on the Clay brook road. Children:

Harlow C., b. Nov. 24, 1845, d. Sept. 6, 1848.

Hannah R., b. Feb. 1, 1852, m. Chas. F. Stewart, res. Los Angeles.

Sarah V., b. Dec. 7, 1854, m. Herbert A. Ellis, res. Wellesley.

Ede L., b. Jan. 5, 1863, m. Frank W. Manchester, res. Natick.

5. Benjamin<sup>8</sup> N. (Calvin<sup>7</sup>, Jesse<sup>6</sup>, John<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 9, 1823, m. Oct. 20, 1863, Mary J., dau. Aaron and Mary S. (Brooks) Bacon, b. Aug. 1837, d. Sept. 6, 1888, m. 2ndly Oct. 12, 1893, Sarah Eudora, dau. John and Abigail (Wight) Shumway, b. Oct. 20, 1841, d. 1900. He d. Apr. 20, 1905. Mr. Sawin occupied the homestead on the Clay brook road. He was a successful farmer and applied business principles to farming, demonstrating the cost of producing various farm products, including the cost per bushel of raising corn. In this intelligent directing of farming he was a pioneer. He was one of the original members of the Needham Farmers and Mechanics' Association and was instrumental in its organization. Mr. Sawin succeeded Hiram W. Jones as the town insurance agent and did a successful business with the Norfolk Mutual Fire Insurance and other companies. He developed beautiful picnic grounds on Charles river, the estate of N. S. Bartlett, Jr., and in the years that have passed entertained hundreds of picnic parties from Boston, Newton, and the surrounding country. Mr. Sawin held many town offices including selectman, assessor, school committee, and park commissioner. He will long be remembered with those who were associated with him on the board of cemetery commissioners,—George L. Howe and Ithamar Whiting—for the beautiful granite wall which they erected in

front of the cemetery, an enduring monument to their taste and judgment. Children:

Mary N., b. Nov. 29, 1864, d. Mar. 10, 1874.  
George N., b. Oct. 29, 1869, d. Mar. 13, 1874.

6. Warren<sup>8</sup> (Calvin<sup>7</sup>, Jesse<sup>6</sup>, John<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>), b. July 17, 1825, m. Nov. 21, 1847, Mary Ann, dau. Capt. William and Harriet Pierce, of Needham, b. Mar. 4, 1827, d. Nov. 8, 1878. He d. Mar. 21, 1881. Mr. Sawin was a carpenter and built his house on the Sawin estate on the Clay brook road. Children:

Eunice A., b. Sept. 20, 1848.

Mary E., b. Aug. 10, 1850, m. Dec. 25, 1881, Albert H. Bacon, Waltham.

(7) Frank W., b. July 28, 1851.

Annie M., b. Jan. 25, 1858, m. Apr. 4, 1876, Albert H. Bacon, d. Dec. 16, 1879.

7. Frank<sup>9</sup> W. (Warren<sup>8</sup>, Calvin<sup>7</sup>, Jesse<sup>6</sup>, John<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>), b. July 28, 1851, m. April 21, 1880, Cora A., dau. Josiah and Lydia Crossman (Jones) Bean of Natick, b. Jan. 4, 1857. Mr. Sawin occupied the homestead on the Clay brook road, which he sold some time since and moved to Natick. Children:

Walter A., b. Mar. 22, 1881, res. Boston.

Ralph U., b. Jan. 24, 1883, res. Natick.

Mary L., b. Aug. 28, 1885, m. Ernest Blease, res. Saxonville.

Alfred J., b. Oct. 28, 1888, d. Jan. 31, 1889.

## SHUMWAY

1. John<sup>5</sup> Shumway (Solomon<sup>4</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>3</sup>, Peter<sup>2</sup>, Peter<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 4, 1787, m. May 30, 1813, Abigail, dau. Amos and Hannah (Morse) Wight, b. Dec. 21, 1792, d. Feb. 21, 1875. He died Feb. 21, 1844. Mr. Shumway settled on Farm street at the time of his marriage (Pokanoket club). He came here from Killingly, Conn. This is perhaps the only one of the old families

that is not of English descent. This family is of French origin and probably belonged in its transatlantic home, to the greatly persecuted Protestant sect of Huguenots, so celebrated in the history of civil and religious liberty. Its first representative in New England was Peter Shumway, who appeared about the middle of the 17th century and settled in the town of Topsfield. He was a soldier in King Philip's war, and is said to have been present at the taking of the fort in the memorable swamp fight. He had a son, Peter, born June 6, 1678, who went to Boxford and married there, Feb. 11, 1700-1, Maria Smith. Of this union six children were born before 1713, when the family removed to Oxford to join the declining Huguenot settlement there, and in that place three more children were born. John Shumway was a respected citizen who held many positions of trust and responsibility. Children:

Abigail Wight, b. Sept. 24, 1814, m. Jan. 14, 1836. Daniel W. Bullard, Sherborn.

Elizabeth Morse, b. Sept. 4, 1816, d. Jan. 14, 1847.

(2) Amos Wight, b. May 13, 1819.

John Worthington, b. Mar. 24, 1821, m. Dec. 22, 1853, Sarah G. Bigelow.

Benjamin Franklin, b. Mar. 23, 1823, m. Nov. 26, 1846, Lucy Ann Cutler, res. Medfield.

George Howard, b. Feb. 11, 1825, m. Nov. 7, 1853, Mary S. Bickford, res. Medfield.

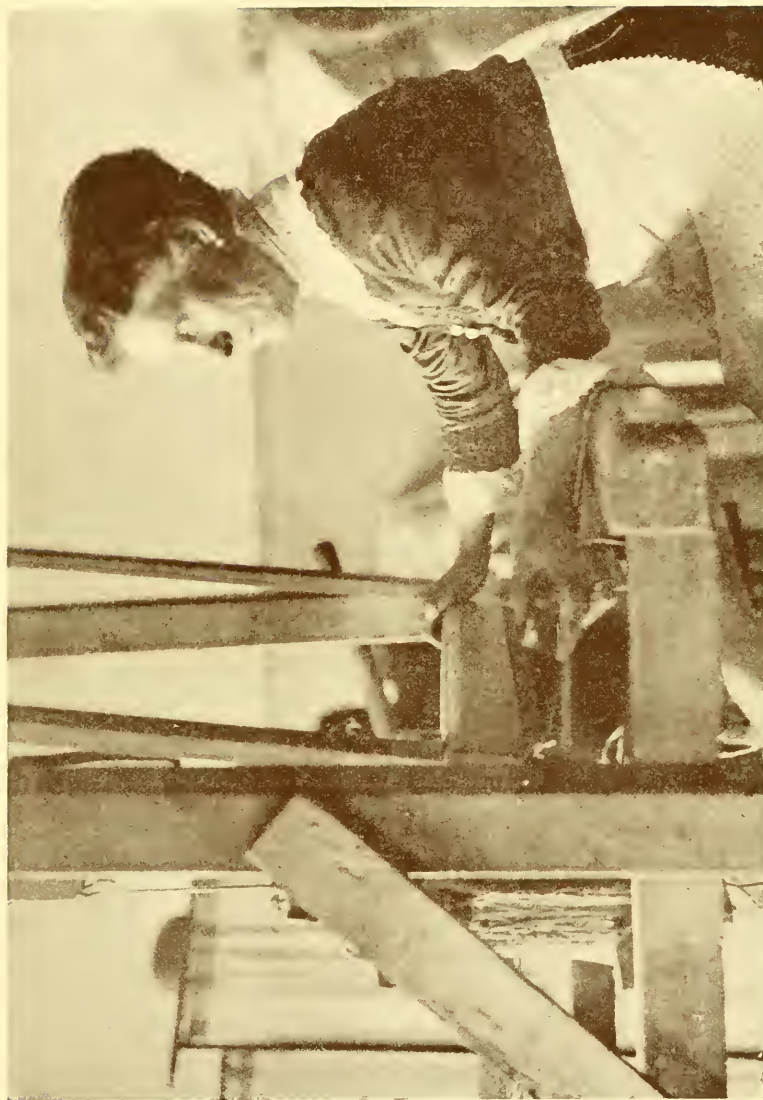
William Frederick, b. Jan. 16, 1828, d. Jan. 25, 1849.

Elbridge Eugene, b. Feb. 9, 1830, m. Nov. 7, 1859, Amanda C. Wales, res. Norwood.

Hannah Louisa, b. Apr. 16, 1832, d. Aug. 27, 1848.

Sarah Eudora, b. Oct. 21, 1841, m. Oct. 12, 1893. Benj. N. Sawin.

2. Amos<sup>6</sup> Wight (John<sup>5</sup>, Solomon<sup>4</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>3</sup>, Peter<sup>2</sup>, Peter<sup>1</sup>), b. May 13, 1819, m. Dec. 1, 1847, Hannah, daughter Oliver and Sarah (French) Harding, b. Feb. 28, 1820, d. Dec. 25, 1897. He d. Feb. 27, 1893. Mr. Shumway owned the homestead on Farm street. His first public service was as master of the West school. He was moderator of the annual town meeting for thirty-five years, an assessor for forty-one years, a member of the board of selectmen for twenty-five years, and eight years a member of the school committee. Mr. Shumway was



*Weaving, once common in Dover homes*





*Joseph A. Smith House*

chairman of the Democratic town committee for twenty-five years. He represented the Ninth Norfolk District in the General Court in 1873. He was commissioned a Justice of the Peace in 1874 and held a commission at the time of his death. He was interested in military affairs, and at one time was captain of the Independent Company which was organized in Medfield in 1839. He was a charter member and the first master of the Dover Grange, Patron of Husbandry. Mr. Shumway was an excellent farmer and always illustrated the ancient custom of providing a large wood pile, which was cut in the woods in early winter and drawn to the door with the first fall of snow. During the winter and early spring it was cut into fire wood and well seasoned for the year's supply. The size of the wood pile always testified to the thrift of the farmer. Children:

Hannah Louisa, b. Aug. 28, 1849, m. Feb. 18, 1892, Curtis Broad, Natick.

(3) Amos Wight, b. Aug. 16, 1851.

William Frederick, b. Oct. 10, 1853, m. May 19, 1875, Martha A. Perkins, res. Peabody. He d. Mar. 19, 1883.

3. Amos<sup>7</sup> Wight, Jr. (Amos W.<sup>6</sup>, John<sup>5</sup>, Solomon<sup>4</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>3</sup>, Peter<sup>2</sup>, Peter<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 16, 1851, m. May 11, 1881, Jennie M., dau. Martin and Eunice (Wentworth) Smith, Skowhegan, Maine. Has lived in Foxboro, Los Angeles, Cal., and in 1893 inherited his father's farm and took up his residence here, but subsequently returned with his family to California. Children:

Eunice Wentworth, b. July 26, 1882, d. May 22, 1883.

Hannah Bernice, b. Jan. 29, 1885, d. Aug. 14, 1890.

Amos Wight, b. Feb. 13, 1886, res. Los Angeles.

Fay Marie, b. Feb. 20, 1889, d. Aug. 28, 1890.

Fred Martin, b. Sept. 17, 1890, m. Nov., 1912, Martha Winters.

Emma Manning, b. Aug. 15, 1892.

Sherman Nelson, b. Dec. 18, 1894, res. Los Angeles.

## SMITH

1. Joseph<sup>5</sup> Smith (Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Asahel<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>), son of Ebenezer and Lydia (Hartshorn) Smith was b. Aug. 25.

1746; m. Sept. 17, 1777, Calla, dau. Hezekiah and Mary (Peters) Allen, b. Jan. 11, 1759. He died Sept. 6, 1808, and she m. 2ndly Josiah Wheeler, Grafton. Mr. Smith was born on the homestead, Summer street, West Dedham, but came to the Springfield Parish previous to 1775. He took part in the battle of Bunker Hill, also at Dorchester Heights. He purchased Mar. 24, 1779 the south part of lot No. 111 in Westminster and moved there with his wife and child. Mr. Smith was descended from Robert Smith, whose name appears in an agreement made in Exeter, N. H., July 5, 1639, between 31 of the "Loyal subjects of our dread sovereign, Charles, by the Grace of God King of England, Scotland, France and Ireland." The signers of this compact "being brethren of the church of Exeter, considering with ourselves the holy will of God and our own necessity that we should not live without wholsom lawes and gouernment amongst us, of which we are altogether destitute, do in the name of God combine ourselves together to erect and set up amongst us such gouernment as shall be to our best discerning agreeable to the will of God according to the libertys of our English Colony of the Massachusetts, and binding ourselves sollemly by the grace and helpe of Christ and in his name and feare to submit ourselves to such godly and Christian lawes as are established in the realms of England to our best knowleg and to all other such lawes which shall upon good grounds be made and inacted amongst us according to God, that we may live quietly and peaceably together in all godliness and honesty." The year previous (1638) Mr. Smith was in Boston.

He continued to live in Exeter for some years and was several times commissioned by the General Court "for the settling of small affairs." He was a tailor by trade. He moved with his family to Hampton as early as 1657, where his wife, Susanna, was killed by lightning, June 12, 1680. There is nothing to show where he was born or to whom married, but from tradition we are led to believe that he came over with the Dorchester

Company and was a son of Quartermaster John Smith. He died in Hampton Aug. 10, 1706, in the 96th year of his age. It is known that he had four children—Israel, John, Asahel and Joseph, but there is no record of their birth. Asahel first appears in Dorchester. He was a “cordwainer,” and probably learned his trade in that town. On the 20th of April, 1669, the constables of Dorchester presented to the selectmen “a list of the young men that were not under the gouvernement of familys according as the law enjoynes,” in obedience to “the order of the Court requiring ye Selectmen to take inspection of their orderly walking and submitting to famely gouvernement.” The name of Asahel Smith appears on this list, which goes to show that at that time he was no longer an apprentice. We may presume then that he had recently come of age, and that he had just quitted the service of his employer. He must have married very soon afterward for we find him in Dedham in 1671, where a daughter, Mary, was born to him and his wife, Mary, Nov. 1, of that year, and a son, Joseph, in Feb. 1673-4. There is no record of his marriage or of his wife’s family name. She died May 10, 1676, and he married a second wife, Elizabeth, whose family name is also unknown. Asahel Smith was a prominent man in Dedham. He represented the town in the General Court in 1698, and was several times selected selectman, sometimes being chairman. He was the first town treasurer, having been elected to that office in 1694. He had various grants of land made to him by the town of Dedham, the first being a grant of six acres in 1684, near the dwelling-house of Samuel Gay, on the way leading to Fowl Meadow; early in 1700 (1706-1708) he was granted 24 acres of land on Pond Plain, West Dedham, which seems to have been the homestead. He added to this from time to time by grant or purchase. His will, dated Aug. 4, 1714, and probated May 12, 1715, provides that his two youngest sons, Nathaniel and Israel, are to have the homestead when their mother’s interest in it became extinct either through death or marriage, consisting of 24 1-2 acres with house, barn,

etc., "lying near South plain." The children of Joseph Smith, all of whom were born in Westminster, except the first, are as follows:

- (2) Draper, b. Dec. 20, 1777.

Deborah, b. Sept. 5, 1779, m. John Dupee.

Calla, b. May 2, 1782, m. John Minot, Dorchester.

Joseph, b. Aug. 7, 1784, res. Concord.

Allen, b. Jan. 22, 1787, res. New Market, N. H.

Patty, b. May 11, 1789, m. David Reed.

Joel, b. Sept. 20, 1791, settled in Maine.

Polly, b. Oct. 7, 1794, m. Joseph Falis, Hubbardston.

Calvin, b. Apr. 20, 1796, res. Templeton.

Asa, b. Nov. 16, 1799, res. Gardner.

2. Draper<sup>6</sup> (Joseph<sup>5</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Asahel<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 20, 1777, m. May 10, 1809, Anna, dau. Micah and Anna (Pratt) Leland of Sherborn, b. Dec. 11, 1781; d. Dec. 25, 1857. He died Mar. 20, 1852. Mr. Smith purchased the Guy farm in the westerly part of the town—Smith street. He added to farming the cutting of ship timber and the burning of charcoal which he sold in the Boston market. Children:

- (3) Joseph A., b. Apr. 24, 1813.

- (4) Albert L., b. Apr. 30, 1820, d. May 10, 1876.

3. Joseph<sup>7</sup> Allen (Draper<sup>6</sup>, Joseph<sup>5</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Asahel<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 24, 1813, m. June 2, 1844, Louisa B., dau. Isaac and Betsey (Williams) Howe, b. Mar. 9, 1823, d. Aug. 24, 1908. He died July 21, 1886. Mr. Smith carried on in the early years of his life the slaughtering business in the westerly part of the town with butchers' carts on the road, later he was a farmer on Smith street and was for many years a member of the board of assessors, selectmen, a member of the school committee, and a deacon in the First Parish Church. Child:

Anna Leland, b. Aug. 14, 1847, m. Jan. 18, 1872, Oliver N. Barber, Sherborn.

4. Albert<sup>7</sup> Leland (Draper<sup>6</sup>, Joseph<sup>5</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Asahel<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 30, 1820, m. May 17, 1849, Sarah E.,



dau. Isaac and Betsey (Williams) Howe, b. Jan. 17, 1821, d. Aug. 5, 1901. He died May 10, 1876. Mr. Smith inherited his father's farm on Smith street and united for many years the business of marketing with farming. There was built on this farm, some time previous to 1845, an ice cellar which was the first attempt made in town to keep ice for summer use. Previous to this time all provisions, butter, milk, etc., were kept in cellars or by hanging in the well. Children:

Draper, b. Oct. 9, 1851, m. July, 1876, Henrietta I. Woodward, Liberty, O. Res. Omaha, Neb.

(5) Frank, b. June 11, 1854, m. Oct. 17, 1888, Jennie G. Allen, West Dedham.

(6) Joseph, b. Mar. 17, 1860, m. June 1, 1887, Sarah R. Parmenter, Framingham.

5. Frank<sup>8</sup> (Albert<sup>7</sup>, Draper<sup>6</sup>, Joseph<sup>5</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Asahel<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>), b. June 11, 1854, m. Oct. 17, 1888, Jennie Gertrude, dau. Samuel F. and Hannah (Ellis) Allen of West Dedham, b. Mar. 1, 1866, d. Nov. 21, 1893, m. 2ndly, June 9, 1897, Lillian Ellis, dau. John Leonard and Lucy (Ellis) Fisher of Westwood, b. Oct. 8, 1870.

Mr. Smith was for many years a member of the firm of Thompson, Brown & Co., Publishers, Boston, res. Dedham. Children:

Ellis, b. July 15, 1898.

Sarah, b. Aug. 23, 1903.

6. Joseph<sup>8</sup> (Albert<sup>7</sup>, Draper<sup>6</sup>, Joseph<sup>5</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Asahel<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 17, 1860, m. June 1, 1887, Sarah R., dau. Curtis and Mary J. (Dwinell) Parmenter of Framingham, b. Oct. 5, 1864. He d. June 4, 1904. Mr. Smith lived on the homestead and developed in connection with his farm a large wholesale milk business. He was a member of the board of selectmen at the time of his death and chairman of the Democratic town committee. Children:



Frank Raymond, b. Feb. 16, 1888, d. Aug. 11, 1889.

Gladys Mildred, b. Sept. 30, 1889, m. Apr. 19, 1915, Frank L. Trafton, Hempstead, N. H.

Lawrence, b. Apr. 22, 1893. Graduated Clark College. 1915.

7. Ebenezer<sup>5</sup> (Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Asahel<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 26, 1747-8, m. Oct. 31, 1775, Catherine, dau. Thomas and Rebecca (Whiting) Richards, b. Aug. 7, 1755. He d. Feb. 16, 1819. Mr. Smith was born in West Dedham, and settled here in 1775, having purchased a tract of land of William Fisher, which he converted into the farm on Dedham street, which is now owned by Miss Juliet Higginson. He was a cordwainer as well as farmer and made shoes for the army as the following item shows: 1780 paid Ebenezer Smith "sixty-three pounds for shoes found the Continental soldiers. He was a prominent citizen and a deacon in the First Parish Church. Children:

(8) Lewis, b. Oct. 28, 1776.

(9) Ebenezer, b. Feb. 27, 1779.

Olive, b. Nov. 21, 1780, m. Nov. 21, 1805, James Tisdale.

Catharine, b. Dec. 27, 1781, m. Oct. 13, 1803, Enoch Whiting.

(10) Rufus b. Mar. 29, 1785.

Rebecca, b. Nov. 27, 1792, m. May 25, 1813, Elijah Hastings, Amherst.

8. Lewis<sup>6</sup> (Ebenezer<sup>5</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Asahel<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 28, 1776, m. Nov. 26, 1801, Ann, dau. Thomas and Abigail (Fisher) Burrage, b. 1779, d. Nov. 25, 1850. He died Jan. 11, 1819. Mr. Smith lived on the homestead. He was instantly killed by the falling of a tree while chopping with his cousin, Calvin Richards, in the woods south of the "New Mill." Verifying the Scripture: Two shall be in the field; the one shall be taken and the other left. The spot has been marked by the erection of a stone. Among the few sermons printed by the Rev. Dr. Sanger was the one preached the Sunday following Mr. Smith's death. This discourse was widely circulated. Mr. Smith very honorably and acceptably filled many offices of the town. He was for many years one of the choristers of the church. He was an active friend of sacred music and

contributed in many ways to promote it. The duties of his office he discharged with remarkable constancy. He was never, it is believed, absent from his seat except in case of necessity. He was town treasurer at the time of his death. He was universally beloved and respected. Children:

Selinda, b. Aug. 10, 1803, m. Apr. 5, 1827, John R. Miller, Northboro.

Ann, b. Feb. 6, 1806, m. June 4, 1835, William Clarke, res. Dayton, O.

(11) Lewis, b. Feb. 22, 1808.

Francis, b. Mar. 25, 1810, d. Aug. 30, 1826.

Catherine R., b. Apr. 15, 1812, m. May 15, 1831, Geo. S. Burrage.

Isaac S., b. Dec. 27, 1814, m. Dec. 1, 1843, Frances Carter.

Abbie B., b. June 10, 1817, m. Nov. 1, 1837, John Adams.

Martha I. b. Oct. 12, 1819, m. Dec. 2, 1843, Calvin L. Haines, Springfield.

9. Ebenezer<sup>6</sup> (Ebenezer<sup>5</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Asahel<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 27, 1779, m. Jan. 14, 1805, Rebecca, dau. Timothy and Rebecca (Eames) Allen, b. May 20, 1784; d. Apr. 27, 1848. He died Sept. 7, 1847. Mr. Smith was a carpenter by trade. He built the Irving Colburn house on Farm street, which he occupied for a time, but later moved to Ashford, Conn., to engage in manufacturing. On his return to Dover some years later he occupied the house on Farm street, which was removed a few years since by Mr. Dorr. This farm was a part of Mrs. Allen's father's estate. In this age of short hours of labor for mechanics and others, we would call attention to the fact that in Mr. Smith's day carpenters worked from sun to sun. He often rose at 4 o'clock in the morning walked two miles to his work with a kit of tools on his back, and continued until sundown on the longest summer day. Children:

Melancthan, b. Oct. 28, 1805, m. Lucy Ann Hunt, res. Boston. Rebecca E., b. Apr. 25, 1808, d. July 25, 1888.

Orlando, b. July 3, 1811, d. Mar. 23, 1865, settled in Boston, m.

Harriet Brumet. Child, Orlando M., b. in Dover, June 13, 1838.

Reuben, b. Apr. 7, 1814, d. Apr. 10, 1814.

Lucius, b. Oct. 22, 1815, d. Jan. 28, 1886.

Clarissa A., b. June 9, 1818, d. Mar. 9, 1893, m. June 10, 1849,

David E. Allen.

12) Abner L., b. Jan. 23, 1823, d. Aug. 15, 1876.

William F., b. Dec. 16, 1826, d. Aug. 11, 1878. He married first Caroline Cobb, 2ndly Ann Cobb, both of Dover, res. Cleveland, O.

10. Rufus<sup>6</sup> (Ebenezer<sup>5</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Asahel<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 29, 1785, m. Sept. 15, 1806. Achsah Ingram of Amherst, d. Oct. 8, 1819, m. 2ndly, 1821, Elizabeth Browning, d. Dec. 29, 1872. He lived in Dover for a time, where several of his children were born, then took up his residence in Wilmington, Vt.; later moved to Amherst and died in Colerain, May 22, 1868. Children:

Catherine R., b. Sept. 5, 1807.

Mary, b. Feb. 4, 1811, d. 1839.

Louise, b. 1817, d. Nov. 24, 1887.

Ansel, b. Dec. 29, 1816, res. Colerain.

Barbara A., b. May 6, 1819.

Horace A., b. 182—, was a missionary to India.

Elizabeth, b. 1827.

11. Lewis<sup>7</sup> (Lewis<sup>6</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>5</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Asahel<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 22, 1808, m. Oct. 31, 1838, Mary S., dau. Nathaniel and Mary (Stodder) Wilson, b. Oct. 31, 1838, d. Nov. 14, 1842. He m. 2ndly, May 10, 1845, Eliza, dau. Nathaniel and Mary (Stodder) Wilson, b. Feb. 25, 1821; d. Oct. 23, 1880. m. 3rdly, Nov. 26, 1882, Mrs. Hannah Allen, widow of Jared Allen and dau. of John and Ruth (Tolman) Dickerman, b. May 20, 1807, d. Jan. 4, 1899. He died Dec. 3, 1888. Mr. Smith united with farming, a retail milk business, and was the first to engage in this business which has become an industry in the town. He sold the farm of his father and purchased the small place on Farm street, formerly owned by John M. Brown. Children:

Lewis, Jr., b. Nov. 12, 1843, m. Aug. 2, 1866, Hattie F. Pratt, res. Fitchburg.

Mary F., b. Jan. 17, 1839, d. Dec. 27, 1888.

Frederick E., b. Feb. 9, 1846, m. May 28, 1872, Ida D. Albee, res. Hopedale.

Annie E., b. Dec. 24, 1849, d. Apr. 2, 1882.

Alice A., b. Feb. 24, 1854, res. Boston.



*Smith Woods*



*Smith Street*





*Indian relics found on Dover farms*

12. Abner<sup>7</sup> Lewis (Ebenezer<sup>6</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>5</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Asahel<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 23, 1823, m. June 10, 1849, Mary W., dau. Isaac and Betsey (Williams) Howe, b. May 10, 1828, d. June 24, 1910. He d. Aug. 15, 1876. Mr. Smith purchased the Howland farm on Farm street, and developed and improved it, in the setting out of a fine orchards and beautiful shade trees. He was for many years chairman of the board of selectmen, town clerk and constable. He also represented the town in the General Court. Children:

(13) Charles Hunt, b. Apr. 5, 1850.

(14) Allen Francis, b. Sept. 27, 1862, m. May 15, 1888. Mrs. Edella D. Norton, b. Nov. 17, 1848.

George Melancthan, b. Nov. 4, 1869, d. Sept. 22, 1890.

13. Charles<sup>8</sup> Hunt (Abner<sup>7</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>6</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>5</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Asahel<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 5, 1850, m. Nov. 14, 1876, Mary, dau. of Capt. John and Mary (Hardy) Humphrey, b. Aug. 22, 1852. Mr. Smith succeeded his father as town clerk; he was chairman of the board of selectmen, and was appointed treasurer of Norfolk County in 1890, and elected to the office the following year. In 1891 he took up his residence in Dedham, where he d. in office July 16, 1906. Children:

Bessie Mary, b. Aug. 6, 1877, m. Ross W. Baker, Dedham.

Maud Clara, b. Oct. 1, 1880, m. James Humphreys, Dedham.

Abner Humphrey, b. Oct. 24, 1882, m. Ethel Webb, res. Dedham.

Edith Hardy, b. Sept. 20, 1884.

Edward Allen, b. Dec., 1886, d. Jan., 1887.

Anson Howe, b. Feb. 14, 1890.

Celia Marsh, b. Dec. 8, 1896.

14. Allen<sup>8</sup> Francis (Abner<sup>7</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>6</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>5</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Asahel<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 27, 1862, m. May 15, 1888, Mrs. Edella D. (Chickering) Norton, widow of T. Cooley Norton and dau. of James and Phebe Ann (Thompson) Chickering, b. Nov. 17, 1848. Mr. Smith is a farmer and insurance agent. He has been for many years a member of the school committee and an assessor and at one time held the office of



town clerk, succeeding his father and brother, Charles H. Smith. Child (by adoption):

Willard, b. Dec. 5, 1895.

15. Barak<sup>3</sup> (Caleb<sup>2</sup>, Caleb<sup>1</sup>), was born in Needham, m. Aug. 30, 1782, Abigail, dau. Ebenezer and Hannah (Allen) Battelle, b. Jan. 28, 1764. He moved to Ashford, Conn., previous to 1800. Mr. Smith was in the Springfield Parish during the entire Revolutionary period and did good service in various places. It does not appear that he was an owner of real estate here. Children:

- (16) Jabez, b. Aug. 13, 1784, m. Mar. 5, 1807, Chloe Richards.  
 Nabby, b. Sept. 20, 1786.  
 Deborah, b. Apr. 20, 1789.  
 Barak, b. Sept. 16, 1791.  
 Mehitable, b. Feb. 19, 1794.  
 Lucy, b. Sept. 24, 1796.  
 Louisa, b. —

16. Jabez<sup>4</sup> (Barak<sup>3</sup>, Caleb<sup>2</sup>, Caleb<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 18, 1784, m. Mar. 5, 1807, Chloe, dau. Abiather, Jr., and Elizabeth (Richards) Richards, b. Sept. 13, 1782. Mr. Smith removed from Ashford, Conn., to Wilmington, Vt., in 1816. Children:

Mary  
 Ruel  
 Francis  
 Lewis  
 Isaac  
 Catherine E.  
 Chloe L.

17. Thomas<sup>7</sup> (Titus<sup>6</sup>, George<sup>5</sup>, Samuel<sup>4</sup>, Samuel<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, Henry<sup>1</sup>), b. 1799, m. 1825, Eliza Wadsworth, dau. Moses and Elizabeth (Tisdale) Wadsworth, b. June 15, 1806, d. Sept. 12, 1883. He d. June 9, 1878. Mr. Smith was descended from Henry Smith who came from England in 1637 with his wife Elizabeth and two sons. He first settled in Dedham, but moved to Medfield in 1651-52, where he was a trusted citizen. Thomas

Smith inherited the farm of his wife's father on County street and established in connection the manufacture of brushes. He was a man of musical and inventive genius.

As a musician he was of note in the vicinity. On the street he played a fife, and his execution on that instrument was such as to cause his services to be constantly in demand wherever such music was required. He composed and arranged considerable music adapted to this instrument. He played the flute in the days before the advent of the church organ, when various instruments were used to accompany the singers in church choirs, and the tunes which he produced, from this instrument, were considered as good as could be obtained by any player in New England. He was a good judge of vocal music and served as a choir director for many years. When about sixty years of age he conceived a desire to play the piano. He purchased an instrument of the highest grade and applied himself with such a degree of patience that he became quite proficient as a player of the pianoforte. Mr. Smith's inventive genius was noticeable in many ways, in improvements in tools, machinery and methods used in the line of his business, the manufacture of brushes. He made the best whitewash brushes on the market and invented the process of utilizing the natural curve of bristles so that his brushes kept their shape while in use much better than others which was a great advantage to the workman. While he excelled in the manufacture of whitewash brushes, his paint and floor brushes were also in great demand.

His genius was also noticeable in the machinery, vehicles and appliances used in working his farm. "Every invention," says one who remembers him, "seemed to be in the line of a saving in human strength or of time." Among his many inventions was a patent mouthpiece to be used in playing the fife or flute, when the player's lips became too tired to use in the ordinary way. He is believed to have had the first kerosene lamp ever used in town. Mr. Smith left no children.

Robert<sup>2</sup> (John<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 28, 1839, in Ayershire, Scotland, m.

Apr. 9, 1862, Mary A., dau. of William and Catherine (Chalmers) Hill, b. Apr. 19, 1842. Children:

Hill W., b. Mar. 4, 1867.

Robert H., b. May 13, 1872.

### SOULE

1. Alexander<sup>7</sup> Soule (James<sup>6</sup>, Ephraim<sup>5</sup>, Zacheriah<sup>4</sup>, Benjamin<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, George<sup>1</sup>), son of James and Molly (Holmes) Soule, was b. July 14, 1795, m. Apr. 3, 1823, Hannah, dau. Michael and Hannah (Baker) Draper, b. Sept. 10, 1797, d. Dec. 17, 1893. He d. Apr. 15, 1878. The Dover family is descended from George Soule, one of the signers of the Mayflower Compact. He was a man of strong personality which he made to be felt during his whole life. He early settled in Duxbury and as a military man his services were several times given in fighting the Indians. In Plymouth he was early chosen a member of a committee to draw up an order concerning disorderly "drinking of tobacco," as smoking was then called. The Soules were originally a seafaring people and it is said "they could fish, trade and sail their own vessels." Members of this family married into both the Standish and Alden families. Mr. Soule came to Dover from Oxford, Maine, his native place. He occupied for many years the farm of his father-in-law, Michael Draper, on Farm street, which is now owned by Andrew J. Peters. He was a very jovial man and always full of jokes and fun. He was a Captain in the militia, a soldier in the War of 1812, and a member of Constellation Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Dedham. Children:

Charles Otis, b. Oct. 27, 1823, d. June 22, 1826.

Martha, b. Apr. 2, 1826, m. May 5, 1844, Linus Bliss.

Eliza Draper, b. Dec. 29, 1828, m. June 17, 1852, Lowell Colburn.

Mary Baker, b. Feb. 10, 1831, m. 1851, Ephraim Wilson.

2. Ephraim<sup>7</sup> (Daniel<sup>6</sup>, Ephraim<sup>5</sup>, Zacheriah<sup>4</sup>, Benjamin<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, George<sup>1</sup>), m. June 11, 1809, Sally Colburn of Dedham.

He had for some years a farm on Dedham street (Stanwood place) and seems to have also lived in Boston and Dedham. The following children are recorded in Dover:

Ephraim A., b. Apr. 14, 1810, in Boston.

Lemuel C., b. Mar. 23, 1812, in Boston.

Betsey S., b. Aug. 19, 1814, in Dedham.

Francis, b. Sept. 23, 1819, in Dedham.

Angeline, b. June 9, 1820, in Dover.

Sarah C., b. June 23, 1823, in Dover, d. Dec. 2, 1823.

### STOWE

Walter<sup>2</sup> Stowe (Samuel<sup>1</sup>) was born in Sherborn, Oct. 29, 1788, being a son of Samuel and Patty Stowe. He m. Mar. 4, 1813, Cynthia, dau. Seth and Mary (Wight) Wight, b. June 7, 1790, d. Feb. 23, 1870. He d. Jan. 29, 1864. He was descended from John Stowe, who with his wife Elizabeth, came to New England in 1634, in one of Winthrop's Companies and settled in Roxbury. Walter Stowe was a captain in the militia and a wide-awake and daring fellow. He bought land and built the William Condrick house on Hartford street. He owned and opened the quarry, from which the granite was taken for the Norfolk County Court House at Dedham. The stone is of fine quality, and is now used for monumental as well as building purposes. The territory in the immediate vicinity of Mr. Stowe's farm has long been infested by rattlesnakes. Mr. Stowe knew their dens so well that in the spring of the year he could go out, and in a short time return with a dead rattlesnake. In hunting rattlesnakes he usually killed them with the flail which he used in threshing grain. He had little fear of them. On one occasion he chased a rattlesnake into a stone wall, and as its tail protruded, he took hold of it and pulled the snake out, expecting, Indian fashion, to snap its head off, but the alertness of the snake exceeded his expectation, and in an instant he buried his fangs in Mr. Stowe's coat sleeve, and his life was saved only by the thickness of his coat. The town of Medfield gave a bounty on rattlesnakes for many years, but this custom

was never practiced by Dover. Mr. Stowe came upon a rattlesnake one day which was some distance east of the Medfield line; he drove the snake, however, with his whip into Medfield, where he killed it, and claimed the bounty offered by the town. Children:

Cynthia, b. June 13, 1813, m. May 30, 1838, Cyrus Pickering, Medfield.

Walter D., b. Oct. 21, 1815, settled in Milford.

Samuel, b. Jan. 31, 1818, m. 1837, Martha C. Buck, settled in Maine and was a conductor on the Grand Trunk Railroad.

(2) Albert, b. June 21, 1820.

2. Albert<sup>2</sup> (Walter<sup>1</sup>), b. June 21, 1820, m. 1848, Mary Jane Hersey, of So. Paris, Maine, b. 1824, d. Mar. 5, 1870. He m. 2ndly Mrs. Susan M. Morse of Holliston and soon after moved from town. He died Mar. 8, 1888. Mr. Stowe occupied the homestead on Hartford street for many years. He lost an arm in transporting the stone pillars of the Dedham Court House. The stone was drawn by twenty-five horses and in the manipulation of a brake Mr. Stowe was thrown under a wheel and his arm crushed. He always bore testimony to the sense of the presence of the missing member. After its amputation he complained of the cramped position of the fingers, and relief was only obtained by putting the amputated arm in a restful and comfortable position. Mr. Stowe used his one arm with great dexterity and in the winter season made a business of chopping cord wood. He, however, met his death in this work, in Milford, through the lodgment of a tree which suddenly fell upon him. Children:

Elvira, b. Feb. 19, 1850, m. Jan. 13, 1872, Eli H. Whitney, Westboro.  
d. Jan. 6, 1896, leaving a numerous family.

Albert, b. Jan. 13, 1858, d. Oct. 24, 1890.

## SULLIVAN

Cornelius<sup>2</sup> Sullivan (David<sup>1</sup>), was a son of David and Mary (Barrett) Sullivan and was born in Ireland. He married Char-





*C. J. Bradbury's House. Bullard settlement, 1695*



*Asa Talbot House. Burrage settlement, 1765*

lotte, dau. of Arnold and Dolly Ross (Bemis) Wight, b. Dec. 23, 1829, d. Mar. 17, 1915. He d. Feb. 28, 1902. Mr. Sullivan has the distinction of being the first of the Celtic race to settle in Dover. As a boy he worked in the store of Theodore Gay at West Dedham. Arnold Wight, who used to walk across from Strawberry hill to Gay's store, was probably impressed by the boy who later entered his employ and in time wedded his daughter. Children:

Mary, b. Aug. 7, 1847, res. Needham.

John A., b. July 3, 1851, res. Needham.

Amy H., b. Mar. 16, 1854, m. J. W. Higgins.

C. Frank, b. Apr. 22, 1856, m. Addie Sweat, res. Florida.

### TALBOT

1. Asa<sup>6</sup> Talbot (Enoch<sup>5</sup>, Josiah<sup>4</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>3</sup>, George<sup>2</sup>, Peter<sup>1</sup>), b. in Sharon, Apr. 15, 1816, m. Apr. 15, 1840, Elizabeth, dau. Daniel and Nabby (Richards) Hodges, b. Sept. 4, 1819, d. Sept. 24, 1892. He d. Oct. 21, 1910. Mr. Talbot had the distinction of being the first person to use the gold-headed cane presented to the town by the Boston Post to go in succession to the oldest male resident of Dover.

He was descended from Peter Talbot, the emigrant who came from England about 1670 and settled in Dorchester. He was one of the founders of Chelmsford, but returned to Dorchester about 1684, residing in that part of the town which afterwards became Stoughton. Mr. Talbot's grandfather, Josiah Talbot, was a soldier in the Revolutionary War and took part at the battle of Saratoga. His father served in the war of 1812 and his son in the Civil War. Asa Talbot moved to Dover from Sharon in 1853 and purchased the farm which he so long occupied on Farm street. He learned the trade of a cabinet maker and for a time followed that occupation. He carried on for many years a milk business in connection with his farm. Mr. Talbot was the town sexton for many years, and nine times elected to the board of selectmen. He was a respected citizen

and a deacon of the First Parish Church. Mrs. Talbot was brought up in the faith of the Friends and always exhibited in her life the simplicity and kindly spirit of this peace-loving people. Their two children were born in Sharon. Children:

Levi A., b. June 11, 1842, m. Nov. 24, 1881, Bessie Bell, res. Tim-water, Washington.

Frederick, b. Dec. 25, 1844, d. Feb. 26, 1908.

### THOMPSON

George<sup>6</sup> Hillard Thompson (Charles Bush<sup>5</sup>, Moses<sup>4</sup>, Nathan<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, James<sup>1</sup>), son of George H. and Elizabeth D. (Fagan) Thompson, was b. in New Braintree, May 22, 1863, m., Dec. 10, 1887, Adelaide Evora, dau. Frederick Harrison and Susan Elizabeth (Ware) Wight, b. June 28, 1863. Mr. Thompson is descended in the sixth generation from James Thompson, who came to this country from the north of Ireland in 1719, bringing his family with him. He is also descended in the ninth generation from Edward Doty of the Mayflower, a signer of the Compact in Provincetown Harbor. Children:

Georgia Elizabeth\*†, b. Sept. 10, 1888, m. Geo. D. Hanchett.

Grace Wight\*†, b. May 1, 1891.

Charles Bush\*, b. Nov. 28, 1892, student at Dartmouth.

Ruth Whiting\*†, b. Feb. 1, 1895.

Annah Frances\*, b. Oct. 12, 1897, student Framingham, Normal School.

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†Graduate Boston University.

\*Born in New Braintree.

†Graduate Bridgewater Normal School

### TISDALE

1. Henry<sup>5</sup> Tisdale (James<sup>4</sup>, James<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. July 31, 1750, m. Jan. 4, 1774, Sarah, dau. Samuel and Sarah (Whiting) Fisher, b. Dec. 20, 1754, d. Oct. 27, 1815. He died Dec. 25, 1814. Mr. Tisdale settled on the Hartford Turnpike (John V. Schaffner farm), and this place was for more than a century the Tisdale homestead. This family is descended from

John Tisdale, who located in Duxbury in 1636 and subsequently moved to Taunton. He is said to be the ancestor from whom all the Tisdales in America trace their origin. He was killed by the Indians in 1675, during King Philip's War. His grandson, James Tisdale, moved to Lebanon, Conn. The Dover family is descended from the Lebanon branch. Henry, Billings and James Tisdale, brothers, came to Dover previous to the Revolution. The first two named settled in Dover, while James lived just across the line in Walpole (Alfred B. Tisdale place). They were related to Nathan Tisdale of Lebanon, a graduate of Harvard, and a teacher of wide reputation. He was an instructor of John Trumbull, the celebrated American artist, who thus spoke of his early instructor: "He labored with an assiduity and fidelity of the most exalted character and became so widely known that he had scholars from the West India Islands, Georgia, North and South Carolina, as well as from New England and the northern colonies."

James Tisdale belonged to the Medfield Company of Minute Men. He was later commissioned a Captain and went with his company, under Arnold, on that terrible expedition through the wilderness of Maine to operate against Quebec. He was taken a prisoner and wounded at Quebec. The following extract taken from a letter written at Quebec in 1776 is of interest: "I have suffered cold, wet, hunger and imprisonment. I was made a prisoner the 31st of December last, and that day I received a wound through my right shoulder in breaking into Quebec. Still with a good heart, poor clothes and no money, but a good conscience, I remain etc., etc." This letter fairly illustrates the spirit of the American soldier in the Revolution. The Tisdale family has long been celebrated for retentive memories. It is said of Fisher Tisdale, who was a very constant attendant at the First Parish Church, that he could accurately repeat after the service the sermon and prayer of the minister. He had such a remarkable memory that he could give long years afterwards, the date of almost any important event.



## Children:

Fisher, b. Apr. 20, 1774, d. Sept. 26, 1856.

Sally, b. Dec. 14, 1777, m. July 2, 1800, Joseph Newell.

(2) James, b. Oct. 2, 1780.

2. James<sup>6</sup> (Henry<sup>5</sup>, James<sup>4</sup>, James<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. 1780, m. Nov. 21, 1805, Olive, dau. Ebenezer and Catherine (Richards) Smith, b. Nov. 21, 1780, d. July 2, 1852. He d. Oct. 29, 1854. Mr. Tisdale lived on the homestead on Hartford street. He was a captain in the militia. The Tisdale family has been in many ways prominent in Dover affairs. For several generations they have been auctioneers, and the business is still represented by members of the family. James Tisdale was the first resident to sell at "public vandue," as auctions were for many years called. He was a prominent auctioneer and had sales in the surrounding country for forty miles around. He was said to be able to draw a bigger crowd than any other auctioneer of his time. He kept the company in a roar of laughter from the time the sale commenced to its close. He was quick-witted and bidders never get the better of him. He was a very jovial man and a great writer of doggerels,\* which were repeated for many years, around Dover, Walpole and Medfield firesides.

Capt. James Tisdale was one of the party who pursued Jason Fairbanks, the alleged murderer of Eliza Fales of Dedham. Fairbanks escaped from Dedham Jail and had almost reached the Canada line, when stopping for breakfast on the Vermont side he was captured by Capt. Tisdale and his associates and brought back to Dedham. If Fairbanks had not stopped for breakfast, he would not have been captured. Children:

Penelope, b. Nov. 2, 1806, m. Sept. 11, 1843, D. B. Commins, Worcester.

Orleus Aurelius, b. Oct. 18, 1809, m. 1836, Laura Harding, res. Medfield.

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\*His account of a Dover Town Meeting a century ago is found in the archives of the Dover Historical Society.



- James P., b. Apr. 9, 1811, m. 1849, Laura A. Wood, res. Walpole.  
(3) William, b. July 23, 1813, m. Sybil C. Tisdale.

3. William<sup>7</sup> (James<sup>6</sup>, Henry<sup>5</sup>, James<sup>4</sup>, James<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. July 23, 1813, m. Nov. 17, 1839, Sybil Clark, dau. Peter Clark and Sally (French) Tisdale, b. 1812, d. Feb. 18, 1872. He died Nov. 20, 1893. Mr. Tisdale lived on the homestead on Hartford street. He was a prominent resident and for many years an assessor of the town. At the time of his death he had a more extended knowledge of the land of the town, with the bounds of lots, than any other resident. His knowledge in this respect was remarkable, as he could locate and bound wood lots of which the owners were utterly ignorant. The pages of the Narrative History of Dover were greatly enriched by his accurate knowledge and interest in the affairs of the town. In the life of William Tisdale we have honesty personified. It is the testimony of men, long in business, that he was the most honest man with whom they ever had dealings. "An honest man the noblest work of God."

There was a certain kind of music in homes a half century ago, the music of the flute and the violin, yet instrumental music was not so common as today. An orchestra met for many years at the house of William Tisdale, which was not only a source of pleasure to the members, but also to a large number of visitors. Nearly all the members of this orchestra have joined the great majority, but these pleasant occasions still linger in the memory of those who were then but boys and girls. The orchestra consisted of Samuel F. Allen, 1st violin, leader and prompter; Henry L. Pettee, 1st violin; Rufus Draper, 2d violin and cornet; Wm. Tisdale, flute; Mrs. Wm. Tisdale, piano; Timothy Allen, base horn; Fisher A. Allen, tambourine, triangle and bells. This orchestra played most of the popular music of the day with much skill and sometimes met at the homes of different members. Children:

- (4) Ansel K., b. Jan. 8, 1841, m. Caroline M. Dunn.  
Alfred B., b. Mar. 20, 1846, m. Feb. 21, 1869, Susan A. Bussey, d. Sept. 11, 1885, res. Walpole.

4. Ansel<sup>8</sup> K. (William<sup>7</sup>, James<sup>6</sup>, Henry<sup>5</sup>, James<sup>4</sup>, James<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 8, 1841, m. June 26, 1867, Caroline M., dau. of Theodore and Caroline (Babcock) Dunn, b. Mar. 29, 1842. He died Aug. 10, 1911. Mr. Tisdale lived on Springdale avenue, where he built, in 1872, a good specimen of the French roof house which was then common. He was for a time in the straw business with a cart on the road; later he was engaged as a wholesale confectioner. He was for more than forty years a correspondent of the Dedham Transcript, and many years connected with the Boston Herald, Boston Courier, and other Boston papers. He was a member of the Grand Army, Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company, and President of the Dover Historical Society. Child:

William T., b. Aug. 3, 1872, m. Mar. 31, 1897, Annie M. Clark, Framingham, res. Allston.

Billings<sup>5</sup> (James<sup>4</sup>, James<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 16, 1749, m. Mar. 4, 1780, Charlotte, dau. Oliver and Mary (Plimpton) Ellis of Medfield, b. 1762, d. Nov. 13, 1844. He d. Feb. 14, 1815. Mr. Tisdale purchased the farm now owned by Charles J. Bradbury, on County street. Child:

Elizabeth, b. Mar. 12, 1781, m. Moses Wadsworth.

## TUCK

Abiathar<sup>2</sup> Richmond Tuck (Joseph<sup>1</sup>), son of Joseph and Anna (Richmond) Tuck, was born in Temple, Maine, Oct. 21, 1820, m. Nov. 30, 1848, Dorcas Ann<sup>†</sup>, dau. of George and Hannah (Guild) Chickering, b. Oct. 29, 1827, d. Oct. 25, 1863, m. 2ndly Oct. 30, 1867, Mrs. Margaret (Fearing) Bartlett, b. Mar. 9, 1839, d. Feb. 18, 1888. He died Aug. 3, 1895. Mr. Tuck was a painter by trade and later a merchant. He kept a grocery store at South Natick, where he lived for many years, also a store at

<sup>†</sup>They were married in the First Parish Meeting House immediately after the Thanksgiving service, which illustrates a New England custom which was common for many years.

Charles River. He later took up his residence in Dover and built the house on Farm street now owned by J. Story Fay, 3rd. Children:

Lizzie A., b. Nov. 9, 1851, m. Apr. 19, 1883, Charles H. Chickering.  
George R., b. Dec. 21, 1853, res. Needham.  
Eddie, b. Jan. 16, 1862, d. Mar. 1, 1862.  
Mary I., b. July 21, 1870, d. Jan. 11, 1884.  
Marion E., b. Nov. 15, 1872, m. J. William Crisp, Needham.  
Jennie L., b. Aug. 7, 1874.  
Edna F., b. May 7, 1876, m. Elwyn L. Thorp.

### UPHAM

Jonathan<sup>2</sup> Upham (Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 4, 1776, m. Oct. 24, 1804, Mehitable, dau. Aaron and Mehitable (Smith) Whiting, b. Dec. 12, 1784, d. Nov. 10, 1864. He d. May 26, 1837. Mr. Upham was a native of Weston. He was a paper manufacturer. His wife inherited a part of the original homestead on Springdale avenue. This family represents all the traditions and customs of the town. In summer time many a housewife, after the evening meal, went into the woods, basket in hand, and gathered checkerberry leaves, liver-wort, sarsaparilla and pine buds for the brew of hop beer, which was drunk by the whole family in haying time. This was brewed with yeast and a few days after bottling had considerable "pop" to it. The general health of the people probably suffered from mouth breathing; in cold weather men took the precaution to tie a silk handkerchief over the mouth, when trying to keep the cold air out of their lungs. Doctors recommended this practice instead of insisting upon nose breathing, the importance of which is now generally recognized in this day of microbes, as well as deep breathing, to reduce the fatty accumulations of the body by means of the oxygen taken into the system. Mr. Upham sold from the farm two lots on which the First Parish and Evangelical Congregational meeting-houses now stand. His house was burned Nov. 10, 1864, and Mrs. Upham perished in the flames. Her son Walter, with whom she lived, was away from home at the time.

He was engaged in business in Boston and did not rebuild. Children:

Sarah, b. Nov. 5, 1805, m. June 23, 1824, Adolphus Smith, Newton.  
Walter W., b. June 15, 1809, m. Martha Wyman, Boston. He d.  
Aug. 11, 1883.

### WADSWORTH

Moses Wadsworth, b. 1779, m. 1805 Elizabeth, dau Billings and Charlotte (Ellis) Tisdale, b. Mar. 12, 1781, d. Nov. 12, 1870. He d. Apr. 11, 1852. Mr. Wadsworth was a farmer and lived on his father-in-law's farm on County street (Bradbury farm). Mr. Moses Ellis thus speaks of him: Mr. Wadsworth was a tidy farmer, polite and kind; we boys called him "Sir." He rode to town frequently in his "covered wagon" and seemed happy to give us boys a ride and lots of good advice. Mr. Wadsworth was a great story-teller, like many others in the vicinity, and always aimed to beat the last story told. An instance is related of a man telling him he had seen a gymnast set a long ladder on end, go up to the top of it, balance over the top, and come down the other side. "O, that is nothing," said Mr. W. "I saw a fellow once go up to the top of a ladder that way and then pull it up after him." Children:

Eliza, b. June 15, 1806, m. 1825, Thomas Smith.  
James, b. Dec. 11, 1807, d. Sept. 18, 1825.  
George, b. Feb. 19, 1811.  
John, b. Nov. 2, 1817, d. Nov. 4, 1817.

### WALL

1. Patrick<sup>2</sup> Wall (William<sup>1</sup>), was born in Kilkenney, Ireland, in Dec., 1816, m. at Watertown in 1850 Eliza, dau. Martin and Eliza Nash, who was born in Kilkenny in 1825, d. Aug. 18, 1902. He d. Jan. 11, 1890. After a few months' residence in Wellesley, Mr. and Mrs. Wall settled in Dover and for many years owned the Dandrow farm on Dedham street, where all of their children were born. Mr. Wall was a soldier in the Civil War

and notwithstanding he sustained the loss of his left leg, he was a very active man. All of his sons are prominent business men, including three who are located in Boston (Joseph J., James E. and Philip H.). Children:

William H., b. Nov. 19, 1850, m. Apr. 26, 1871, Sarah L. Stone.

Martin, b. Mar., 1852, d. Nov. 26, 1874.

(2) John F., b. Sept. 12, 1854, m. 1870, Jennie C. Hill.

Edward, b. Feb. 20, 1855, d. Sept. 4, 1875.

Mary, b. Aug. 15, 1856, d. Dec., 1869.

Thomas, b. Apr. 26, 1858.

Joseph J., b. Feb. 26, 1860, m. Sept. 24, 1884, Lulu M. Marriott.

James E., b. Jan. 11, 1863, m. June 4, 1902, Mary E. Lyons.

Henry, b. Dec. 19, 1863.

Elizabeth W., b. Dec. 20, 1865, m. Oct. 10, 1900, John H. Naylor,

George F., b. Apr. 19, 1868, m. Apr. 20, 1897, Mary L. Drury.

Philip H., b. Aug. 11, 1870, m. Oct. 22, 1907, Hannah M. Harris.

2. John<sup>2</sup> F. Wall (Patrick<sup>1</sup>), m. Jan. 29, 1871, Jennie C., dau of William and Catherine (Chalmers) Hill, b. Apr. 11, 1851. Mr. Hill moved from Dover to Norfolk in 1873. Children:

Kittie C., b. Oct. 26, 1872.

Amy L., b. Sept. 16, 1881.

## WENTWORTH

Alonzo<sup>2</sup> Wentworth (Joel<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 5, 1829, m. Jan. 21, 1855, Helen M., dau. Nathaniel and Sarah D. (Horne) Meserve, b. July 18, 1834. Joel Wentworth and his son Alonzo purchased the Fisher Allen farm on Bridge street in 1862, moving here from Cranston, R. I. The Wentworths were natives of Wakefield, N. H., to which town Alonzo Wentworth returned with his family in 1872. Joel Wentworth died in Dover Oct. 2, 1865, and his widow returned to Wakefield with her son, where she died Mar. 27, 1879. Alonzo Wentworth d. July 5, 1903. Children:

Estella C., b. Aug. 19, 1858, d. Sept. 10, 1874.

Dora G., b. Sept. 7, 1861, m. Feb. 1879, Jerome A. Glidden, Wakefield, N. H.



Edwin O.<sup>1</sup>, b. May 19, 1871, m. Jan. 1, 1893, Annie M. Clifford, res.  
Los Angeles, California.

Amy G., b. July 18, 1880.

<sup>1</sup>Born in Dover.

## WHITING

1. Jonathan<sup>3</sup> Whiting (Jonathan<sup>2</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>1</sup>), son of Jonathan and Rachel (Thorp) Whiting was b. Nov. 8, 1696, m. Jan. 27, 1725-26, Anna, dau. William and Elizabeth (Avery) Bullard, b. May 28, 1705, d. May 27, 1767. He d. Feb. 28, 1764. Mr. Whiting was the first member of the Whiting family to take up his residence here. He settled at the centre of the town in 1726, on the farm known in recent years as the McNamara place on Springdale avenue. He was descended from Nathaniel Whiting, who came to this country from Lincolnshire, England, in 1638. He first settled in Lynn, but soon after took up his residence in Dedham, where he was a mill owner. The Whiting family is one of the oldest in Dover and now after nearly two hundred years has no direct representative in town. Children:

(2) William, b. Jan. 11, 1726-7.

Anna, b. Jan. 6, 1728, m. Aug. 15, 1752, Jeremiah Bacon.

(3) Jonathan, b. Apr. 13, 1731.

(4) Daniel, b. Feb. 5, 1732-3.

Elizabeth, b. Feb. 10, 1734-5, m. Trinity Church, Boston, June 28, 1758, William Draper, Roxbury.

Abigail, b. July 9, 1737, m. Capt. Samuel Sanger, Sherborn.

Nathan, b. May 10, 1739, m. Nancy Newell, and settled in Needham.

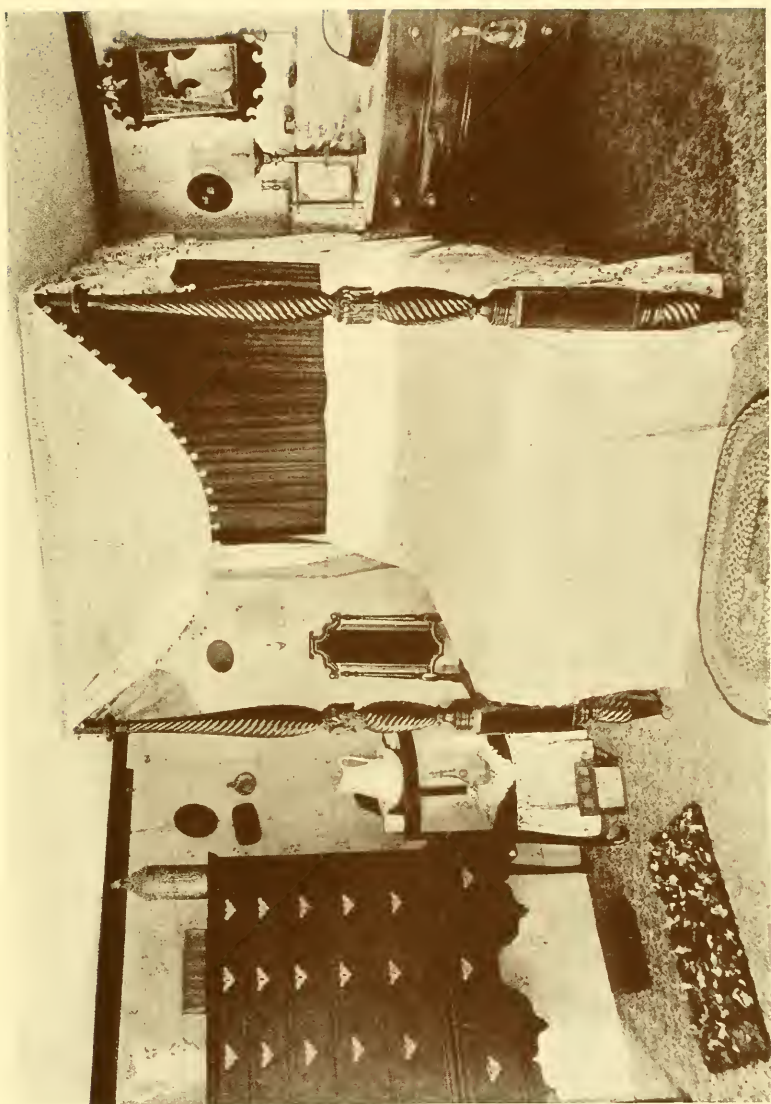
(5) Ithamar, b. Apr. 12, 1741.

Jemima, b. June 13, 1742, m. June 14, 1764, Elias Haven.

Hannah, b. Sept. 14, 1743, m. Dec. 25, 1764, Josiah Newell, Jr., Needham.

(6) Aaron, b. Dec. 3, 1745.

2. William<sup>4</sup> (Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Jonathan<sup>2</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 11, 1726-7, m. April 11, 1754, Hannah, dau. Caleb and Hannah (Pratt) Ellis, b. Feb. 11, 1736-7. He d. Feb. 16, 1808. Mr. Whiting's house stood on the site of the Dunn estate. He was



*Colonial Room in House of Frank Smith*



*The Grist Mill was used from the first settlement in 1640*

one of the business men of the Parish, being the owner of the tannery on Spring brook, in which business he was engaged for nearly half a century. Children:

- Caleb, b. Nov. 18, 1754, d. Dec. 6, 1754.
- Caleb, b. Sept. 19, 1755, d. Nov. 5, 1770.
- William, b. Oct. 31, 1756, d. Mar. 29, 1762.
- Jabez, b. Jan. 11, 1758, m. Oct. 27, 1779, Rebecca Ellis, res. Cambridge.
- Hannah, b. Apr. 13, 1759, d. Mar. 27, 1759.
- Ellis, b. Sept. 20, 1760.
- (7) William, b. Apr. 11, 1762.
- Hannah, b. July 2, 1765, d. in infancy.
- Hannah, b. Apr. 10, 1768, m. Dec. 25, 1788, Nathan Draper.
- Caleb, b. Mar. 24, 1770.
- Joshua, b. Mar. 24, 1770, d. Mar. 30, 1770.
- Joshua, b. Sept. 18, 1771, d. Oct. 5, 1771.
- Juletta, b. May 1, 1777, m. Aug. 5, 1802, Hezekiah Allen.
- (8) Enoch, b. July 18, 1781, m. Oct. 13, 180—, Catharine Smith, settled in Amherst.

3. Jonathan<sup>4</sup> (Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Jonathan<sup>2</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>1</sup>), b. April 13, 1731, m. June 15, 1756, Elizabeth, dau. Josiah and Sarah (McIntire) Newell of Needham, b. April 20, 1735, d. June 10, 1814. He d. Aug. 5, 1770. Mrs. Whiting m. 2ndly Nov. 25, 1777, Nathaniel Fisher. Mr. Whiting first occupied and cleared the farm on Charles River, bounded east by Center street, and south by the Clay brook road, now owned by Charles H. W. Foster. Children:

- Elizabeth, b. —.
- Luther, b. Nov. 10, 1758, d. young.
- Calvin, b. Nov. 10, 1758, d. young.
- Betty, b. Mar. 14, 1761.
- Reuben, b. Oct. 24, 1763.
- Persis, b. Jan. 22, 1766.
- Cynthia, b. Mar. 28, 1768, m. June 24, 1799, Frederick Richards, Dedham.
- Calvin, b. Mar. 4, 1771 (posth.)

4. Daniel<sup>4</sup> (Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Jonathan<sup>2</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 5, 1732-3, m. 1761, Mehitable, dau. Daniel and Mehitable (Haven) Haven, b. Aug. 8, 1734, d. June, 1775. He died in Natick, Oct. 17, 1807. Mr. Whiting built and occupied as his home that part

of the Williams Tavern which fronted on Dedham street. Daniel Whiting attained the highest rank of any resident of Dedham in the Revolutionary War\*. Heitman in his Historical Register of officers in the Continental Army, thus gives his service. Captain in Brewer, Mass., Reg. May to Dec. 1775, Captain 6th Continental Infantry, 1766, Major 7th Mass. Jan. 1777, Lieut. Col. 6th Mass. 29, Sept. 1778. Retired Jan. 1781. Daniel Whiting commanded a company of soldiers at the Battle of Bunker Hill, when on the evening of June 16th, 1776, it was decided to occupy Charlestown neck and Bunker Hill, Capt. Whiting's Company was among those selected to throw up the entrenchment. "The lines drawn, a thousand men set to work with spades to raise the earthwork. These American soldiers, called hastily from their farms, lacked organization and military discipline, but they were intelligent, independent men, accustomed to turn their hand to anything. They could shoot and they could also dig." This description applied to every one of the Springfield Parish farmers who engaged in the Revolutionary War. Mr. Whiting's wife died a few months after he entered the army, leaving him with four young children; yet he continued in the service for six years. During his absence his children were scattered and before the war closed he sold his house and lands in Dover and took up his residence in Natick. As illustrating the custom of the times, it is of interest to note that after giving an honorable and distinguished service to his country, when taking up his residence in Natick, in May, 1781, he was warned out of town by the authorities lest he should become a public charge. Later, in 1787, he was elected a town "Warden." His suffering and distress as a soldier in the Continental Army is recalled in his petition to the General Court, which is given in full in the Narrative History of Dover.

Mr. Whiting's patriotism was not measured by his military service alone, but in other acts as well. When in 1778 he sold his farm, including the area added a few years ago to the Park

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\*See biographical sketch of Daniel Whiting in Dover Public Library.



system in the centre of the town, he immediately loaned every dollar to the state, which was in sore need of funds, although no absolute assurance could be given that the money would ever be repaid. The Revolution had no greater heroes than those who did these things. During the Revolutionary War he was not only "in many perils in the Indian country" at Cherry Valley, but also in the battle near Elmira, N. Y., in 1779, which is coming to be seen as one of the decisive battles of the Revolution. It was the plan of the British to separate New England from the rest of the colonies, to blockade the coast and keep the Tories and Indians active on the frontier and so crush out the Continental Army. The Indians and Tories were active in New York and Pennsylvania. The six nations of the Iroquois dominated an extensive territory in New York and could call ten thousand fighting men into the field. The Indians cultivated enormous fields of corn and vegetables with many fruit bearing orchards. These supplies soon found their way to the British Army. The Indians practiced the greatest cruelty and soldiers from New York and Pennsylvania often found in the long houses of the Iroquois "the scalps of mothers, fathers, children and neighbors whom they recognized by their hair." In 1779 Gen. John Sullivan was appointed by Washington to break the power of the Indian allies of the British, and he assigned to him a third of the Continental Army, with which to do the work. "The Indian towns were to be utterly destroyed, their fields and crops devastated and the whole region made uninhabitable by them."

A fortification was built by the Indians at Newton, near Elmira, where it was believed Sullivan's Army would pass. It was strongly fortified but under the command of Gen Sullivan it was captured and the Indians and Tories routed. In this memorable battle Maj. Daniel Whiting commanded a part of the garrison under Brig. Gen. Enoch Poor, which consisted of the Massachusetts 6th Regiment. The American Army left a desolate wilderness behind them, having destroyed forty Indian



villages and two hundred thousand bushels of corn, many vegetables and fruit bearing orchards. The Iroquois turned from their blackened villages and sought the vicinity of Niagara where they lived in huts, and during the long winter which followed died by the hundreds of pestilence. Capt Reid built a fort near Elmira and here on the 29th of September, 1779, the different attachments met. Salutes with cannons and musketry were fired and barbecues were held with much rejoicing. On the 3rd of October the Army was discharged and the soldiers marched home. A special Thanksgiving was held in commemoration of this great victory, which was especially pleasing to Congress and to Gen. Washington. After all this danger, privation, sacrifice, and suffering, when returning from the Army, Daniel Whiting was obliged to borrow money of a resident of West Point to defray his expenses home, and which he was unable to return for a long time, owing to the failure of the State to pay him back the money he had loaned in her distress. We cannot emphasize too much the courage and valor of the fathers who as scattered colonists, successfully fought an empire.

"Words pass as wind, but where great deeds were done  
A power abides transferred from sire to son."

Daniel Whiting illustrated, with many others from this parish, the fact that the colonists were willing to defend the principles of self-government with their lives. He was for thirteen months at the Siege of Boston and formed with others from this place, a part of that independent and ill armed army of sixteen thousand soldiers who gathered about Boston and laid siege to the town. They made up in zeal what they lacked in organization and equipment. Washington at first had great difficulty with his soldiers, he found them "independent in their ways, as unaccustomed to discipline as they were averse to it, electing and deposing their officers, disposed to insubordination and only too ready to go off in order to attend to their domestic affairs and return in leisurely fashion when their business was

done." We presume this criticism applied as well to the men of the Springfield Parish as any other, yet at the close of the war, with an army made up largely of New England men, Washington said of these men, "that there were no better troops in the world."

Daniel Whiting was a gentleman of the old school and was loved and respected by all who knew him. He was commanding in manner, six feet in height, and was called the handsomest man in the county. He was very erect and was of a light complexion. Children:

Mehitable, b. Apr. 11, 1762, m. Mar. 27, 1787, Artemas Woodward, Medfield.

Paul, b. 1764, m. Mar. 18, 1790, Rebecca Baxter, Princeton.

Fanny, b. Jan. 30, 1766, m. Nov. 9, 1786, Jeremiah Baker, West Dedham.

Roger, b. 1768, m. Fanny Broad, d. July 20, 1808.

Anna, b. Aug. 6, 1770, m. June 20, 1792, Ebenezer Newell, d. Bradford, May 28, 1837.

5. Ithamar<sup>1</sup> (Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Jonathan<sup>2</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>1</sup>), b. April 12, 1741, m. Mar. 28, 1765, Mary, dau. Ralph and Mary (Ellis) Day, b. May 20, 1744. He inherited with his brother Aaron the homestead on Springdale avenue. In 1774 he sold his farm of seventy-three acres to Ebenezer Newell and Aaron Whiting. All trace of this farm is lost after this transfer, but it is believed to have included the area opposite the town hall, bounded by Springdale avenue and Walpole street. The same year he also sold his interest in his father's farm to his brother Aaron. Mr. Whiting had a severe illness from which he never fully recovered. By his father's will he was to receive "my youngest yoke of oxen to enable him to pay what he has been at charge in Doctor's in his late weakness." He was a Free Mason and when feeble in mind an effort was made to induce him to divulge its secrets, but to no purpose. Children:

Patty, b. Mar. 10, 1766.

Esek, b. Feb. 10, 1769.

Luther, b. Apr. 3, 1771.

Ralph, b. Feb. 23, 1773.

Molly, b. Sept. 11, 1779.

6. Aaron<sup>4</sup> (Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Jonathan<sup>2</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 3, 1745, m. May 11, 1776, Mehitable Smith of Natick, d. April 28, 1820. He d. Feb. 2, 1837. Mr. Whiting was an enterprising farmer and business man. He lived on the Whiting homestead on Springdale avenue. He rendered a creditable service in the Revolution. He was plowing in the field when the summons came, on the morning of April 19, 1775. Mr. Whiting responded so hastily that he left his ox team in the field to be cared for by others. He was a prominent man in affairs for many years, holding offices of trust and responsibility. Children:

Aaron, b. Aug. 31, 1776.

(9) Jonathan, b. May 28, 1778.

Ruggles, b. Dec. 29, 1779, m. Sarah Bullen; was a merchant in Boston.

Walter, b. Dec. 19, 1781.

Mehitable, b. Dec. 12, 1784, m. Jonathan Upham.

Daniel, b. Dec. 23, 1786, graduated from Harvard 1812, a lawyer in New York City, d. unmarried 1833.

Olive, b. Oct. 14, 1789, m. Luther Eastman.

Ithamar, b. Apr. 13, 1791, was living in Tepic, Mexico, 1848, a manufacturer of shoes.

Charles, b. Apr. 25, 1793.

(10) Rufus, b. Aug. 16, 1795.

Calvin, b. May 15, 1799, d. Oct. 21, 1799.

7. William<sup>5</sup> (William<sup>4</sup>, Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Jonathan<sup>2</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>1</sup>), b. April 11, 1762, m. Dec. 20, 1786, Mehitable, dau. Joseph and Dorothy Colburn of Dedham, b. Dec. 7, 1762. Children:

Lucy, b. Sept. 11, 1784.

Artemus, b. Apr. 4, 1789.

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The frugality practiced in these families should be noted. Nothing was allowed to go to waste. All newspapers, cotton and woolen rags, feathers, old iron, copper, brass, pewter and even broken glass was saved and sold to the tin peddler in exchange for his bright wares. Berries, apples, and pumpkins were dried and sold at the West Indian goods store or to peddlers. When the father's long leg boots could no longer be worn the tops were made into shoes for the children; when the father's trousers were worn out at the knee they were cut off and by interchange of the legs the worn part was brought under the knee and made to do further service. Coats and dresses were cut down for the children and all out grown garments were given to others, if there was no one in the family to wear them.

8. Enoch<sup>5</sup> (William<sup>4</sup>, Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Jonathan<sup>2</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>1</sup>), b. July 18, 1781, m. Oct. 13, 1803, Cata, dau. Ebenezer and Cata

Smith, b. Dec. 27, 1781. Mr. Whiting lived on his father's estate, which he sold and moved to Amherst. Child:

William, b. Dec. 5, 1804.

9. Jonathan<sup>5</sup> (Aaron<sup>4</sup>, Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Jonathan<sup>2</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>1</sup>), b. May 28, 1778, m. 1813, Lucy, dau. Daniel and Lucy (Eames) Jones of Framingham, b. Feb. 15, 1787, d. Feb. 3, 1879. He d. Feb. 16, 1832. Mr. Whiting was a farmer. He bought in 1802 the Asa Mason place on Pine street which in recent years was owned by the late Jonathan Whiting. The farm was occupied for many years by his son Josiah who was a good farmer and a successful business man. He soon added to farming a general wood business, and the manufacture of hoops and the burning of charcoal. Mr. Whiting had a deep interest in the town and the institutions of his fathers. He bequeathed \$10,000 to the First Parish Church in memory of his mother. Children:

- (11) Walter J., b. Oct. 14, 1814, d. Feb., 1895.  
     Josiah, b. June 14, 1817, d. Aug. 1, 1904.  
     Lucy, b. Jan. 24, 1819, m. Francis Day, Upton.  
     Mehitable, b. Jan. 11, 1821, m. William Woods.  
     Daniel J., b. Sept. 6, 1823, res. Stoughton.
- (12) Jonathan, b. Aug. 18, 1830.  
     Charles, b. Apr. 12, 1825, d. Nov. 29, 1894, res. Natick.
- (13) William, b. Jan. 23, 1828.

10. Rufus<sup>5</sup> (Aaron<sup>4</sup>, Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Jonathan<sup>2</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 16, 1795, m. Aug. 9, 1821, Melinda Stanley of Sedgwick, Maine, b. May 11, 1797, d. July 22, 1868. He d. May 2, 1865. Mr. Whiting was a farmer and had a part of the original Whiting homestead on Springdale avenue, where he built his house (Meacham farm) in 1838. Two of his sons, Ruggles and Smith, went to California in 1849 and continued to live on the Pacific coast. His son Ithamar carried on the home farm for some years but sold it after his mother's death. Later he was an officer in the Lyman School at Westboro. He was in business

for a time in Holyoke, but subsequently returned to Dover.  
Children:

- Eleanor Elizabeth, b. May 28, 1822, m. Jan. 1, 1850, James Nickelson, Newton.  
Aaron Smith, b. Mar. 1, 1825, m. Dec. 1, 1859, Janette Morrison, res. Stockton, Cali.  
Ruggles Lucius, b. Nov. 4, 1829, m. Feb. 10, 1866, Transito MacFarland, San Francisco.  
John Stanley, b. Dec. 4, 1831, m. July 13, 1869, Annie M. Gates, res. Lincoln, Neb.  
Malinda Frances, b. Aug. 13, 1834, m. May 4, 1856, Edward B. Bigelow.  
Caroline Augusta, b. Jan. 1, 1837, m. May 1, 1867, James Nickelson.  
Ithama, b. Aug. 24, 1839, m. Nov. 13, 1879, Mary Stacy.

11. Walter<sup>6</sup> J. (Jonathan<sup>5</sup>, Aaron<sup>4</sup>, Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Jonathan<sup>2</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 14, 1814, m. Mary A., dau. George and Polly (Lawrence) Newell of Medfield, b. 1837, d. Aug. 1, 1865. He died in Feb. 1895. Mr. Whiting lived on Hartford street. He willed his little property to the town of Dover for the support of the worthy poor. Although the amount realized was small, the act was none the less worthy. Child:

Laura.

12. Jonathan<sup>6</sup> (Jonathan<sup>5</sup>, Aaron<sup>4</sup>, Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Jonathan<sup>2</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 18, 1830, m. July, 1856, Ann M. Collins of Needham, b. May 20, 1837, d. Dec. 10, 1873, m. 2ndly Jan. 30, 1879, Mrs. Bertha (Hamel) Bliss, b. Pictou, N. S., Mar. 25, 1845. He died March 30, 1902. Mr. Whiting was a farmer and lived on the ancestral farm on Pine street. He succeeded Josiah Newell as the proprietor of the grocery store at Charles River, but retired from business after a few years. Child:

Ida M., b. 1855, m. Apr. 10, 1879, Eugene Bonney, res. Walpole.

13. William<sup>6</sup> (Jonathan<sup>5</sup>, Aaron<sup>4</sup>, Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Jonathan<sup>2</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 23, 1828, m. Oct. 14, 1854, Hannah S., dau. Griffin and Mary Elizabeth (Green) Purdy, b. Mar. 28, 1830, in Malagash, Nova Scotia, d. June 30, 1908. He d. Feb. 12,





*The Whiting-Williams Tavern, 1761-1908*



*Donald F. Cutler's House. David Wight settlement, 1716*

1907. Mr. Whiting was a farmer and lived on the original John Draper place on Springdale avenue. Children:

Anna A., b. Dec. 10, 1853, m. Feb. 13, 1870, Thomas W. Proe, m. 2ndly, Nov. 24, 1887, William D. Rowell. Child: William T. Proe, b. May 29, 1872, res. Millis.

Everett W., b. Sept. 13, 1856, d. Apr. 7, 1882.

Wesley W., b. Aug. 19, 1861, m. Aug. 20, 1887, Flora A. Wiswell. He d. Apr. 27, 1908. Child:

Harold W., b. Dec. 31, 1893, in Millis.

## WIGHT

1. David<sup>4</sup> Wight (Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Henry<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 19, 1686, m. Jan. 17, 1716-17, Sarah, dau. Ralph and Sarah (Fuller) Day, b. Apr. 1, 1689. He d. Jan. 28, 1742-3. Mr. Wight probably settled here at the time of his marriage. His house stood on Dedham street, nearly opposite the residence of the late Edward S. Dandrow. The stones of the old cellar were uncovered a few years since in removing gravel from the town pit. He was a man of unusual means, as the inventory of his property at death aggregated £2579 7s. 2d. The Wight family is descended from Thomas Wight, who first appeared in Watertown, in the winter of 1635-6. In 1637 he is located in Dedham with his wife and four children. Nothing is known of him previous to his coming to New England. His name appears fourth on the list of those who in 1644 promised to contribute for the support of a free school in Dedham. This school was the first free school to be supported by general taxation ever organized. He and his sons were also contributors towards building Cambridge College, now Harvard University. When the Indian Village was established at South Natick, he was deputed by the town to help in its organization. He afterwards married a sister of the Apostle Eliot. Thomas Wight was a leader in the organization of the town of Medfield in 1650 and was one of the original settlers. He continued to live in Medfield and occupied many positions of trust. Children:

- (2) David, b. Mar. 28, 1718.

Anna, b. July 27, 1720, m. May 8, 1744, Jonathan Parker, Needham.

John, b. May 11, 1723, d. Oct. 4, 1734.

Sarah, b. Mar. 27, 1730, m. June 20, 1751, William Gay, Dedham.

2. David<sup>5</sup> (David<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Henry<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 23, 1718, m. Oct. 27, 1745, Sarah, dau. Samuel and Sarah Scott of Wrentham, b. Oct. 11, 1726. She m. 2ndly May 4, 1763, John Griggs, who lived on the Caryl homestead. He died April 1, 1752. Mr. Wight lived on the homestead and commenced to build a mill on Noanet's brook, just south of the site of the "New Mill." He died, however, before completing it. The location of a mill somewhat back from the road was not unusual as farmers sent their boys to mill with the grist thrown across the horse's back, so a bridle path was all that was necessary. A mill at this time must have been needed for the grinding of rye, corn and buckwheat. After Mr. Wight's death the mill was completed by Thomas Richards, who bought the mill site of one acre "with the brook running through the middle of it." Children:

David, b. July 13, 1746.

- (3) John, b. Nov. 17, 1748.

Esther, b. Sept. 21, 1750, m. Oct. 11, 1769, Thomas Caryl, who settled in Chester, Vt. Their oldest child, Irene Caryl, lived to be nearly 103 years old, she d. May 7, 1873. Having occasion to consult the Dover vital records for the year 1878 it was found that nineteen deaths occurred, making a total of 1,164 years, or an average of more than 61 years for each person who died during the year, which seems to be a remarkable record.

3. John<sup>6</sup> (David<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Henry<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 17, 1748, m. Oct. 9, 1771, Mabel, dau. Thomas and Mary Merrifield, m. 2ndly Feb. 16, 1795, Mrs. Molly Clark of Medway. Mr. Wight lived on various farms in town. He first built on the south side of Farm street on land which is now included in the estate of Harry L. Rice. He sold this place in 1783 and it was long since abandoned as a farm. He then moved



to the original Wight homestead on Dedham street, which he sold in 1784 to Jabez Baker and moved from town. Children:

Sally, b. Mar. 6, 1772.

David, b. Mar. 17, 1773, res. Medway, d. in Sherborn.

John, b. Jan. 26, 1776, res. Greenwich.

Molly, b. Jan. 6, 1778.

Jemima, b. —.

4. Seth<sup>4</sup> (Seth<sup>3</sup>, Ephraim<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. in Medfield, Jan. 20, 1753, m. Oct. 30, 1772, Mary, dau. John and Mary (Plimpton) Wight, b. Nov. 12, 1752, d. Feb. 22, 1834. He died July 14, 1799. Mr. Wight's father purchased the Jonathan Mason farm on Wight street in 1747. He bought the adjoining farm of Ebenezer Newell in 1772 and took up his residence here. In time the two farms became one. Seth Wight originated in 1791 a breed of sheep which were called the "Otter sheep." These sheep had long backs and short, crooked legs. As they could not jump fences, they were for many years a favorite breed in Dover. The breed was so peculiar that Col. Daniel Humphrey of Connecticut wrote in 1811 a description of them, which he sent to Sir Joseph Banks, President of the Royal Agricultural Society of England. Children:

(5) Aaron, b. in Medfield, Mar. 3, 1773.

(6) Caleb, b. Aug. 22, 1775.

(7) Oliver, b. Aug. 1, 1777.

Mary, b. June 19, 1780, d. Dec. 11, 1873.

Nabby, b. Dec. 22, 1783, m. Apr. 18, 1805, Simon Cheney.

Clarissa, b. Nov. 3, 1785, m. Nov. 28, 1805, James Mann.

(8) Asa, b. Feb. 25, 1788.

Cynthia, b. June 7, 1790, m. Mar. 4, 1813, Walter Stowe.

(9) Arnold, b. May 19, 1793.

Charlotte, b. July 16, 1795, m. May 7, 1835, Joseph Larabee.

5. Aaron<sup>6</sup> (Seth<sup>5</sup>, Seth<sup>4</sup>, Ephraim<sup>3</sup>, Ephraim<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 3, 1773, m. June 1, 1800, Abigail, dau. Jonathan and Mercy (Day) Smith of Medfield, b. Sept. 25, 1774, d. July 13, 1819. Mr. Wight lived on the homestead and in 1810 moved to Medway and subsequently to Bellingham. He died July 29, 1851.

## Children:

Seth, b. Apr. 17, 1801, m. Apr. 10, 1823, Mary A. Richards, res. Bel-  
lingham.

Charles, b. Dec. 26, 1802, d. Jan. 11, 1879, res. Milford.

Ira, b. Dec. 6, 1804, d. Dec. 24, 1879, res. Milford.

Aaron, b. June 23, 1807, d. Feb. 9, 1877, res. West Medway.

Alvin, b. Mar. 11, 1810, m. Apr. 9, 1837, Almira Adams, Medway.

Abigail, b. June 13, 1817, m. Mar. 30, 1843, George W. Googins, Bel-  
lingham.

6. Caleb<sup>6</sup> (Seth<sup>5</sup>, Seth<sup>4</sup>, Ephraim<sup>3</sup>, Ephraim<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b.  
Aug. 22, 1775, m. in 1800 Levina, dau. Jesse and Elizabeth  
Morse of Sherborn, b. May 14, 1779, d. Aug. 5, 1850. He died  
Oct. 5, 1863. Mr. Wight had a part of his father's farm and  
built the farmhouse on the Davis estate. Children:

Orin, b. July 15, 1800, d. June 16, 1817.

Mary, b. Apr. 23, 1802, d. Oct. 3, 1803.

Mary, b. June 17, 1804, m. Dec. 26, 1847, Joseph Larrabee.

Betsey, b. Sept. 8, 1807, m. June 2, 1830, Ellis Mann.

7. Oliver<sup>6</sup> (Seth<sup>5</sup>, Seth<sup>4</sup>, Ephraim<sup>3</sup>, Ephraim<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b.  
Aug. 1, 1777, m. Oct. 14, 1800, Mary, dau. Jonathan and Eliza-  
beth (Daniels) Russell of Sherborn, b. Apr. 13, 1776. Children:

Eliza b. Feb. 11, 1801.

(10) Joseph, b. Mar. 16, 1803.

Horace, b. Dec. 14, 1805, res. Medfield.

8. Asa<sup>6</sup> (Seth<sup>5</sup>, Seth<sup>4</sup>, Ephraim<sup>3</sup>, Ephraim<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b.  
Feb. 25, 1788, m. Oct. 6, 1814, Sybel, dau. James and Milla Hol-  
brook of Sherborn. He died Dec. 13, 1869. Mr. Wight occu-  
pied that part of his father's farm which was originally a part  
of Ebenezer Newell's farm. There was a cider mill on this  
farm for many years. The longevity, on the one hand, of many  
persons named in these sketches will be noted and on the other  
hand the short life of many children. Whole families of chil-  
dren, a hundred years ago, were sometimes swept away at a  
time. The death rate has been lowered in recent years only in  
the decrease of infant mortality. Prof. Fisher of Yale says:  
"People have learned how to prevent the waste of infant life,



but they have not learned how to take care of themselves. Among the grown people the death rate has increased because of the wearing out of vital organs of the body. In this respect the death rate is much larger than it was a century ago. Children:

- (11) James Holbrook, b. July 21, 1816.  
     Harrison, b. Apr. 5, 1818, d. Sept. 10, 1825.  
     Henry, b. Nov. 24, 1819, d. Sept. 15, 1825.  
     Frederick, b. July 13, 1821, d. Sept. 28, 1825.  
     Sybil Augusta, b. June 13, 1823, d. Oct. 2, 1825.
- (12) Frederick Harrison, b. Dec. 4, 1827.

9. Arnold<sup>6</sup> (Seth<sup>5</sup>, Seth<sup>4</sup>, Ephraim<sup>3</sup>, Ephraim<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. May 19, 1793, m. June 13, 1827, Mrs. Dolly (Ross) Graves, dau. Stephen and Achsah (Pollard) Bemis, b. Westminster Mar. 6, 1801, d. Aug. 22, 1883. He died Sept. 8, 1879. Mr. Wight was a farmer and lived on the Fuller place on Strawberry hill. Mr. Wight was associated with Capt. George Fisher in building a section of the Erie Canal at Rochester, New York. At that time the larger streams had to be forded as bridges had not been built. As Mr. Wight returned home in the winter he crossed the Hudson river on the ice which he found a great convenience. The farm is still in the family, being owned by his grandson, John A. Sullivan. Children:

Arnold Lowell, b. Apr. 24, 1828, d. young.  
 Charlotte, b. Dec. 23, 1829, m. Cornelius Sullivan, d. Mar. 17, 1915.  
 Mary Harriet, b. Dec. 3, 1837, d. June 23, 1888, in Pasadena, Cal.

10. Joseph<sup>7</sup> (Oliver<sup>6</sup>, Seth<sup>5</sup>, Seth<sup>4</sup>, Ephraim<sup>3</sup>, Ephraim<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 16, 1803, m. July 4, 1833, Lucinda Snow, of Dover, m. 2ndly May 15, 1856, Lorinda Davis of Dover. Children:

Eliza Ann, b. July 13, 1835.  
 Joseph Alexander, b. May 1, 1840.

11. James<sup>7</sup> Holbrook (Asa<sup>6</sup>, Seth<sup>5</sup>, Seth<sup>4</sup>, Ephraim<sup>3</sup>, Ephraim<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. July 21, 1816, m. Nov. 19, 1846, Caroline Stone, dau. James and Lois Whitney of Sherborn, b. Nov. 27,

1820. Mr. Wight was a carpenter, he commenced business in Dover and lived on Main street in the house now occupied by Miss Grace, which he built. He later lived in Natick and Newton, where he did a large business. Of his children one was born in Dover:

Ella Augusta, b. Feb. 9, 1849, res. Malden.

12. Frederick<sup>7</sup> Harrison (Asa<sup>6</sup>, Seth<sup>5</sup>, Seth<sup>4</sup>, Ephraim<sup>3</sup>, Ephraim<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 4, 1827, m. June 3, 1851, Susan E., dau. Herman and Ruth (Whiting) Ware of Wrentham, b. Sept. 18, 1829, d. Dec. 8, 1912. He d. Sept. 28, 1908. Mr. Wight lived for many years on the homestead, but sold it after his father's death and moved to the centre of the town. He had a shoe shop on the farm, also established a market business which he continued for nearly fifty years. Children:

Ellen Augusta, b. Jan. 14, 1858, m. May 31, 1875, Lewis W. Chandler, res. Needham.

Adelaide Evera, b. June 28, 1863, m. Dec. 10, 1887, Geo. H. Thompson.

Frederick Leslie, b. May 5, 1869, res. Washington, D. C.

13. Amos<sup>6</sup> (Jonathan<sup>5</sup>, Jonathan<sup>4</sup>, Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 15, 1760, m. Jan. 14, 1790, Hannah, dau. John and Elizabeth (Perry) Morse, d. Mar. 7, 1793, m. 2ndly June 27, 1811, Levinia, dau. Daniel and Thankful (Morse) Perry of Medfield, b. Apr. 20, 1764, d. Dec. 18, 1842. He d. Apr. 24, 1845. Mr. Wight settled in Dover at the time of his marriage in 1790. He cleared the farm now owned by George Battelle, a lineal descendant, on Farm street. After his second marriage Mr. Wight lived for some years in Medfield. Children:

Hannah\*, b. Sept. 26, 1790, m. Apr. 19, 1810, Jonathan Battelle, Jr.  
Abigail\*, b. Dec. 21, 1792, m. May 30, 1813, John Shumway.

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\*Born in Dover.

Shubael<sup>6</sup> E. (Oliver<sup>5</sup>, William<sup>4</sup>, Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. 1785, m. May 18, 1809, Clarissa Williams of Dover. Moved to Medfield. Children:

Sarah Williams, b. Feb. 20, 1810.

Pamelia Clark, b. June 17, 1811.

Addison, b. 1813.

### WILKINSON.

Ebenezer<sup>2</sup> Wilkinson (Joseph<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 14, 1762, m. April 10, 1805, Nancy, probably dau. Elias and Beriah (Ware) Bacon. Mr. Wilkinson was a blacksmith and had a shop on the area now included in Springdale park. Children:

Edwin, b. May 2, 1802.

Willard, b. Aug. 12, 1808.

William, b. May 25, 1812.

### WILLIAMS

John<sup>4</sup> Williams (John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), son of John and Mary (Everett) Williams, was b. in Groton Apr. 1, 1774, m. Oct. 20, 1800, Sally B., dau. Timothy and Prudence (Battelle) Stowe, b. Nov. 15, 1781, d. Feb. 2, 1862. He d. Feb. 6, 1840. Mr. Williams settled in Dover in 1799. He was a son of Capt. John Williams of Groton, an officer in the Revolution, and an original member of the "Society of the Cincinnati." Mr. Williams purchased the tavern property at the centre of the town and kept in connection a store and livery stable. In the stage-coach days a change in horses was made at the Williams Tavern. During the first half of the last century the Wilde Hotel at 11 Elm street, Boston, was a widely known tavern and stage house. From this number on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday a stage left at 3.30 P. M., for Newton Upper Falls, Dover and Medway. The fare to Dover was 75 cents. Mr. Williams was the first member raised (1802) to the degree of Master Mason, in Constellation Lodge, Dedham, of which he was later a senior war-

den. He was a Deputy Sheriff in Norfolk County and the first Postmaster in Dover. In this connection the following facts relating to postage may be of interest: In all the years of the colony and for a long time after the establishment of the government, the rate of postage was so high that letters were sent as often as might be by individuals who chanced to be traveling to the vicinity. The same letter often had messages addressed to two or three individuals in as many neighboring towns, which in turn was forwarded to the several persons. Postage was not prepaid and the rate depended upon the number of sheets and the distance the letter was carried. The basis of the rate was fixed on the single sheet. No envelopes were used but the sheet was neatly folded and sealed. When Mr. Williams became postmaster in 1829 the rates had been but little changed since the adoption of the constitution. The rates adopted in 1825 were in force and were as follows: For every letter of a single sheet of paper conveyed not exceeding 30 miles, 6 cents; over 30 and not exceeding 80 miles, 10 cents; over 80 miles and not exceeding 150 miles, 12 1-2 cents; over 150 miles and not exceeding 400 miles, 18 3-4 cents; over 400 miles, 25 cents. Every double letter or two pieces of paper was double these rates; every triple letter or three pieces of paper, triple these rates; every package of four or more pieces of paper, or one or more other articles and weighing one ounce, avoirdupois, quadruple these rates, and that proportion for all greater weights. After June 30, 1851, the rates were as follows: Every single letter by mail not exceeding 3000 miles prepaid postage 3 cents, not prepaid 5 cents, any greater distance double these rates. March 3, 1860, an act fixed the rate of postage on domestic letters not exceeding one-half ounce in weight at 3 cents, and three cents additional for each additional half ounce or fraction thereof, to be prepaid by postage stamps affixed. This was the first law which established a uniform rate of postage on letters regardless of distance, to which matter was to be transmitted. Child:

Betsey Stowe, b. Oct. 25, 1801, m. Oct. 24, 1819, Isaac Howe.



*Reproduction of the John Draper House built in 1724*





*Wilsondale Street, the first road used in Dover*



## WILSON

1. Henry<sup>1</sup> Wilson, m. Nov. 24, 1642, Mary Metcalf. He was the progenitor of the Dover family, and the first settler on the territory. He came from Kent, England, in 1639, and settled the next year in Dedham. The early Dedham settlers, soon after their settlement, selected the plain of Powisset for additional pastorage for their cattle. A little way west of the present Westwood line, on the bridle path leading to Powisset, Henry Wilson built his house in 1640 on land which for more than 250 years has been in the family. Mrs. Richard H. Bond, who now occupies the farm with her husband, is of the seventh generation of lineal descendants who have been born and lived on the ancestral acres.\* Although the individual members have not been as numerous as some families, yet there has always been a goodly number who have held a prominent place in the town and community. At this date we cannot appreciate the courage and fortitude of one, who in the early time braved the wilderness and settled by himself amid dangers "seen and unseen." He soon brought his young wife to his little settlement and for many years with his growing family braved the danger of wild beasts and roaming Indians. The Wilson family was well represented in the Revolutionary War, and for many years was prominent in the First Parish Church, Ephraim 3d being a deacon. Previous to the organization of the Dover First Parish (1749) the Wilson family worshipped in Dedham. Children:

Michael, b. Aug. 7, 1644, d. May 5, 1676.

Michael, b. —, settled in Wrentham.

Sarah, b. June 24, 1650.

Mary, b. Nov. 7, 1652.

Elizabeth, b. Feb. 4, 1653, m. Jan. 4, 1684, John Rice.

(2) Ephraim, b. June 2, 1656.

2. Ephraim<sup>2</sup> (Henry<sup>1</sup>), b. June 2, 1656, m. May 10, 1681, Rebecca Sumner, d. Oct. 16, 1714, m. 2ndly Mar. 9, 1714-15,

\*In 1915 the Rev. Dr. George Alexander Strong acquired by purchase the larger part of this farm. Mr. Bond retained some six acres, on which he has build a house, so that the above facts are still true.

Rebecca Tucker of Milton. He d. Dec. 20, 1732-3. Mr. Wilson lived in the homestead on Strawberry hill street. Children:

- (3) Ephraim, b. Feb. 27, 1683.
- (4) Samuel, b. Apr. 5, 1686-7.  
Rebecca, b. June 28, 1694-5, d. Jan. 26, 1713-4.
- (5) Nathaniel, b. Jan. 18, 1698-9.
- (6) John, b. May 30, 1702.

3. Ephraim<sup>3</sup> (Ephraim<sup>2</sup>, Henry<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 27, 1683, m. Dec. 19, 1706, Joanna, dau. Nathaniel and Lydia Gay, d. Mar. 28, 1738, m. 2ndly Nov. 29, 1738, Mrs. Hannah Fisher. He d. July 19, 1769. Mr. Wilson was a deacon in the Dedham First Parish Church and is buried in Dedham Cemetery. He was a blacksmith by trade and for a time lived on the homestead.

4. Samuel<sup>3</sup> (Ephraim<sup>2</sup>, Henry<sup>1</sup>), b. April 5, 1686-7, m. Nov. 25, 1714, Elizabeth Howes. Moved to Needham. Children:

- Rebecca, b. Aug. 20, 1716.
- Seth, b. —
- Samuel, b. Apr. 25, 1718, d. —
- Elizabeth, b. —
- Joanna, b. —

(7) Samuel, b. in Needham, Apr. 3, 1726.

5. Nathaniel<sup>3</sup> (Ephraim<sup>2</sup>, Henry<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 18, 1698-9, m. Nov. 22, 1733, Lydia, dau. Nathaniel and Lydia Richards, b. Oct. 10, 1706, d. Oct. 7, 1740, m. 2ndly, July 11, 1745, Mrs. Hannah Hoslop. He lived on the homestead. Children:

- Rachel, b. Aug. 29, 1734, d. Oct. 3, 1734.
- Rebecca, b. Jan. 29, 1735-6, m. Jan. 8, 1756, Thomas Smith.
- (8) Ephraim, b. Jan. 18, 1737-8.

6. John<sup>3</sup> (Ephraim<sup>2</sup>, Henry<sup>1</sup>), b. May 30, 1702, m. Dec. 25, 1729, Joanna, dau. David and Experience (Sabin) Morse of Medfield, d. Feb. 21, 1730, m. 2ndly, Jan. 10, 1733-4, Anna, dau. John and Mary (Onion) Fisher, d. Apr. 21, 1737, m. 3rdly, 1767, Mrs. Esther Rockwood of Medway, d. Sept. 19, 1779. Eccentric individuals were common at a time when there was less communication with the outside world than now. Hannah

Adams, who was the first American woman to enter the field of literature, was a very absent-minded person. Once in walking from Medfield to Dover, she lost her shoe on the way. Meeting a man coming in the opposite direction she hailed him and wanted to know if he had seen anything of her shoe, the absurdity of the question never appearing to this eccentric but remarkable woman. Children:

Mary, b. Oct. 25, 1730.

John, b. Feb. 13, 1734-5, d. July 17, 1736.

Esther, b. Apr. 11, 1742.

Anna, b. Apr. 26, 1744, m. Apr. 28, 1789, Joseph Swan.

Sarah, b. Dec. 10, 1745.

John, b. Mar. 8, 1749-50.

Sabin, b. Sept. 4, 1753, d. Jan. 29, 1755.

7. Samuel<sup>4</sup> (Samuel<sup>3</sup>, Ephraim<sup>2</sup>, Henry<sup>1</sup>), b. April 3, 1726, m. Dec. 29, 1768, Abigail, dau. Ebenezer and Thankful Richards, b. Oct. 10, 1742, d. July 6, 1781. Children:

(9) Samuel, b. 1770, d. in Boston, 1819.

Moses, b. Feb. 15, 1773.

Abigail, b. Sept. 12, 1774, m. Mar. 28, 1799, John Chickering, Jr.

Thankful, b. May 10, 1778.

Jesse, b. Mar. 4, 1780.

Hannah, b. Feb. 20, 1783.

Joseph, b. Mar. 27, 1785.

Asa, b. Sept. 24, 1788, m. 1810, Patty Blyn, Wrentham.

8. Ephraim<sup>4</sup> (Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, Ephraim<sup>2</sup>, Henry<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 18, 1737-8, m. July 13, 1774, Sybel, dau. Eleazer and Phebe (Wight) Allen, b. Dec. 4, 1749. He d. Apr. 26, 1822. White flour, as made from wheat grown on Dover farms, was originally dark in color, as it took on the commingled colors of the grain, as only the husk and the germ of the wheat were removed in the milling.

White flour was first used for a novelty dinner in London about 1815. This was the first white bread ever eaten in the history of the world; as the wheat grain was dark, so bread had been dark from the days of Abraham. Flour was first made white by selecting the white starchy portion of the grain and

discarding all others, but later it was bleached by chemical processes and robbed of most of its nutriment. As a recent writer has said:

America leads the world in the consumption of white flour nowadays, and it leads the world also in dental and nervous afflictions. Americans used to be a very robust, hardy people with wonderful capacity for endurance. They were of rosy cheek and brawny build and faced all obstacles fearlessly and resolutely. Then England set them eating that white bread and their cheeks turned pale, their teeth grew soft and their nerves became unsound. Children:

(10) Ephraim, b. Dec. 2, 1775.

(11) Nathaniel, b. Aug. 25, 1779.

9. Samuel<sup>5</sup> (Samuel<sup>4</sup>, Samuel<sup>3</sup>, Ephraim<sup>2</sup>, Henry<sup>1</sup>), b. 1770, m. Lydia. He d. in Boston, 1819. He was a carpenter and owned a little place on Strawberry hill, which he sold in 1811. It later became a part of the Nathaniel Wilson farm. Children:

Abigail Richards, b. —

Lydia Ann, b. —

Samuel, b. —

Albert, b. —

Mary, b. —

Elizabeth, b. —

10. Ephraim<sup>5</sup> (Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, Ephraim<sup>2</sup>, Henry<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 2, 1775, m. Nov. 1, 1800, Sally, dau. Nathaniel and Lois (Bullard) Richards of Dedham, b. Apr. 16, 1778, d. Oct. 29, 1821, m. 2ndly May 22, 1823, Lucy, dau. Nathaniel and Submit (Bullard) Capen of Dedham, b. Apr. 18, 1795. Children:

Sybil A., b. Oct. 29, 1801, d. Nov. 4, 1824.

Eleazer, b. Aug. 29, 1803, d. Oct. 6, 1804.

Isaac, b. Dec. 27, 1805, d. Feb. 19, 1816.

Lucy, b. Feb. 7, 1809, d. Jan. 1, 1822.

Sarah Ann, b. May 30, 1817, d. Nov. 19, 1821.

(12) Ephraim, b. May 5, 1825.

Edwin, b. Sept. 1, 1827, m. Margaret Gould, res. Lake City, Minn.

11. Nathaniel<sup>15</sup> (Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, Ephraim<sup>2</sup>, Henry<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 25, 1779, m. Jan. 2, 1815, Mary, dau. Joseph and Hannah (Parker) Stodder of Boston, b. May 16, 1794, d. July 13, 1844. He d. Jan. 27, 1862. Mr. Wilson occupied the farm owned by the late Miss Mary Bullard. Children:

Nathaniel Charles, b. Nov. 15, 1815, d. Jan. 26, 1888.

Mary Stodder, b. Nov. 10, 1817, m. Lewis Smith, d. Nov. 14, 1842.

Eliza Ann, b. Feb. 25, 1820, m. Lewis Smith, d. Oct. 24, 1880.

Lucy Ann, b. Aug. 4, 1822, d. Dec. 31, 1882.

Abigail Stodder, b. Nov. 5, 1823, d. May 15, 1872.

Joseph Stodder, b. Jan. 29, 1827, res. Fitchburg. He engaged in manufacturing and became a wealthy and influential citizen of that city. Mr. Wilson was for several years a member of the Massachusetts Legislature and served on important committees. Children: Hannah M., b. March 22, 1829, d. Dec. 1, 1829. William H., b. Jan. 4, 1832, d. Feb. 10, 1890.

12. Ephraim<sup>6</sup> (Ephraim<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, Ephraim<sup>2</sup>, Henry<sup>1</sup>), b. May 5, 1825, m. 1851 Mary B., dau. Alexander and Hannah (Draper) Soule, b. Feb. 10, 1831, d. Apr. 17, 1894. He d. Jan. 11, 1898. Mr. Wilson held many prominent offices in town, and united with his farm work the manufacture of vinegar and followed at times the profession of the civil engineer. Dr. Edward E. Hale somewhere gives the following picture of farm life in 1835:

Mrs. Primrose.—Nahum, dear, I hate to wake you up; but you must dress as quick as you can, take a firepan and go across to Aunt Susan's and get some coals for the kitchen fire. All the fires are out, and we must have some coals to get breakfast.

Nahum rises without swearing, goes and gets the coals through a new snowfall of twelve inches. Returning, he builds the fire, breaks the ice in the pail at the sink, and, with a compound of ice and water at 32 degrees, washes his face and hands. Then he reads the Farmer's Almanac till breakfast. Children:

Nancy D., b. Aug. 15, 1852, d. May 16, 1871.

Ephraim H., Oct. 30, 1854, m. Mar. 27, 1878, Martha M. Mills, res. Allston.

Herbert S., b. Jan. 18, 1857, m. 1880, Jessie A. Sawyer, res. Pepperell.



Edwin F., b. Jan. 30, 1859, d. Dec. 17, 1876.

James A. b. Sept. 1, 1861, d. Oct. 31, 1861.

Lillian M. E., b. Jan. 18, 1872, m. Feb. 28, 1894, Richard H. Bond.

13. Samuel<sup>5</sup> (Seth<sup>4</sup>, Samuel<sup>3</sup>, Ephraim<sup>2</sup>, Henry<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 16, 1745, m. Oct. 9, 1781, Hannah Ingraham of Dedham. He lived in the vicinity of the "New Mill," but sold his farm there to John Jepson in 1791 and moved from town.

### WOODS.

William Woods, m. Dec. 2, 1838, Mehitabel, dau. of Jonathan and Lucy (Jones) Whiting, b. Jan. 11, 1821, d. Dec. 23, 1889. We would record in connection with this family, which represents through Mrs. Woods one of the first settlers of the town, the great economy that was practiced by the housewives of the community in preventing food waste. The remnants of food left over from meals were carefully saved and often appeared again on the table in a new form as an appetizing and nutritious dish. Today it requires no statistics to prove that we throw away a tenth part of our food at least, which is a large item in the high cost of living which (1916) has reached high water. A native poet and philosopher of India in visiting this country said: Of all the lands I have visited, the United States is the only one where the inside of a slice of bread is eaten and the crust thrown away. Domestic science has no better mission than to teach the housewife how to conserve her resources to the fullest limit as of old. "A penny saved is a penny earned," is a maxim that was not only repeated but practiced in all Dover homes a century ago. Child:

Albert A., b. 1841, d. Mar. 21, 1863, New Orleans, La. A soldier in the Army.

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NOTE—Jabez Wood, a petitioner for the organization of the Parish in 1748, married Hannah (Pratt), widow of Caleb Ellis. He d. May 3, 1752, leaving, it is believed, no issue.

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